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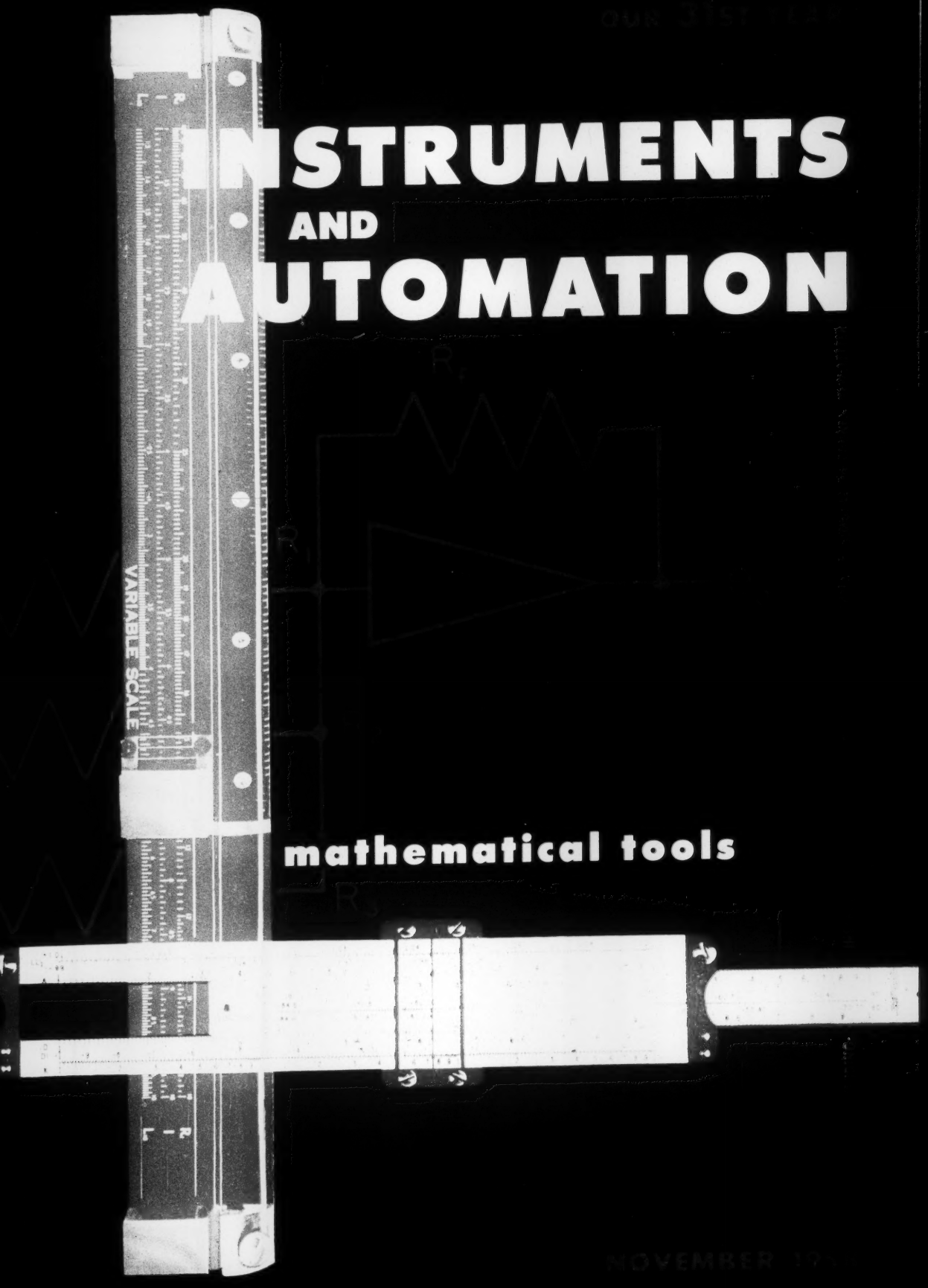

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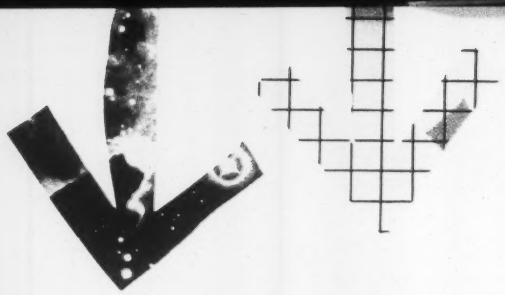

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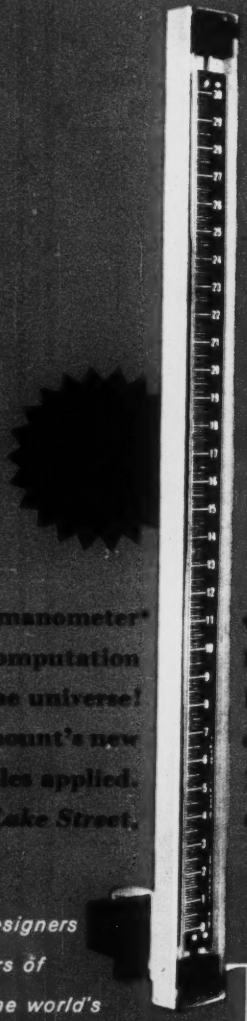

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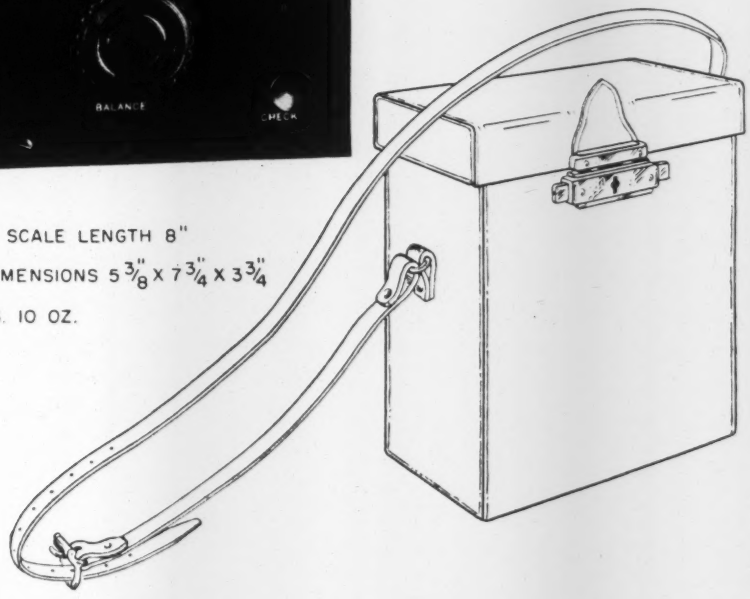

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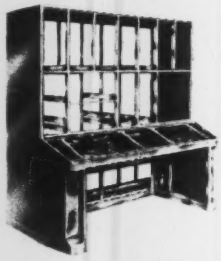

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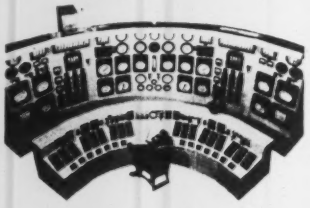

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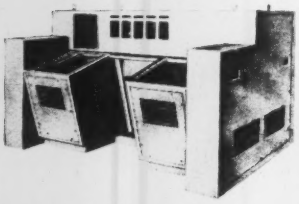

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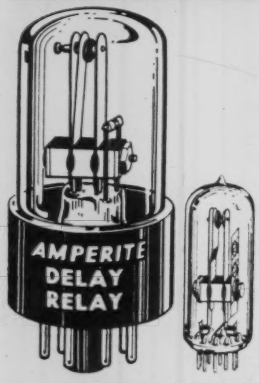

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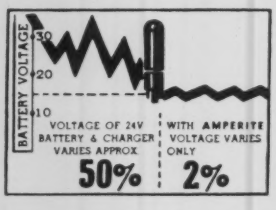

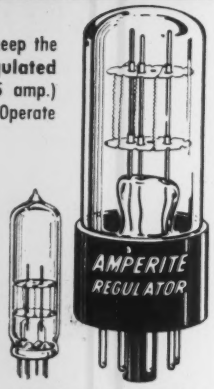

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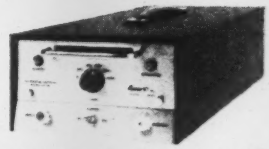

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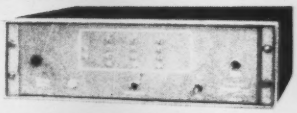

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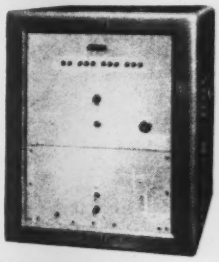

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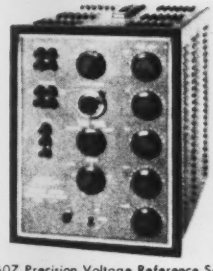

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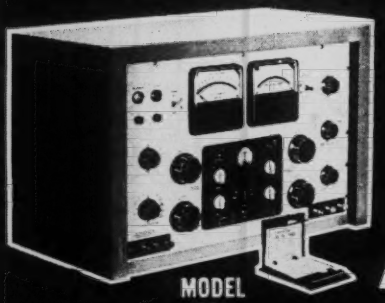

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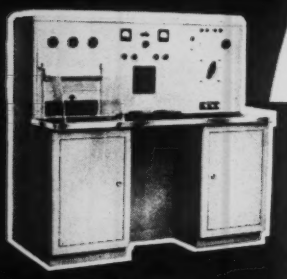

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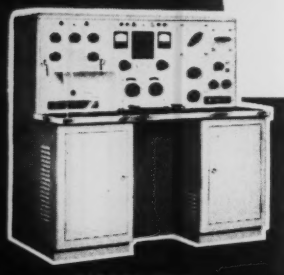

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Editor, I&A:

From time to time I have been stimulated by your articles and editorials in *Instruments and Automation*.

One area that you seem to have been championing of late is that of systems engineering as a profession apart from professional engineering. As I recall, there was an effort made at the International Automation Exhibition at the Coliseum in New York in June of this year to get interested engineers together at that time to discuss the possibility of a systems engineer council.

What were the results of this discussion? I should appreciate your letting me know what happened. I had hoped to attend this meeting but my schedule was such that this was not possible.

Although the subject of feedback control systems, information handling systems, and automatic control systems have served to emphasize the systems aspect of engineering problems, actually from a historical point of view, electrical engineers have faced many systems problems in the past, and through their technical societies and professional engineering associations, have been able to handle them satisfactorily. The commercial electric power systems, the telephone systems, and the radio and TV systems have all been of large magnitude and of large public impact. In these cases, there has not to my knowledge been any rules stating that the engineering and the hardware for such activity need be handled by separate companies or separate engineers.

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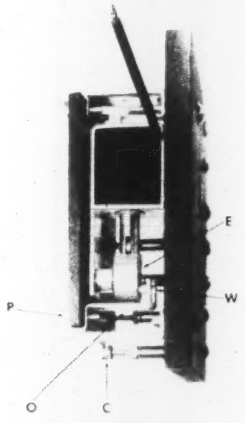

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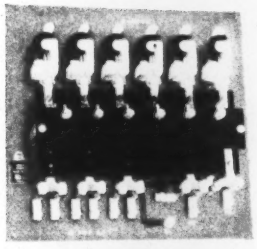

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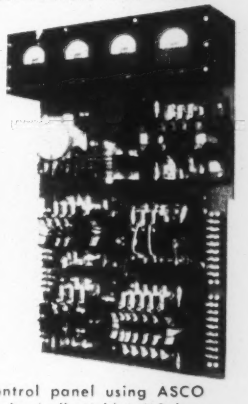

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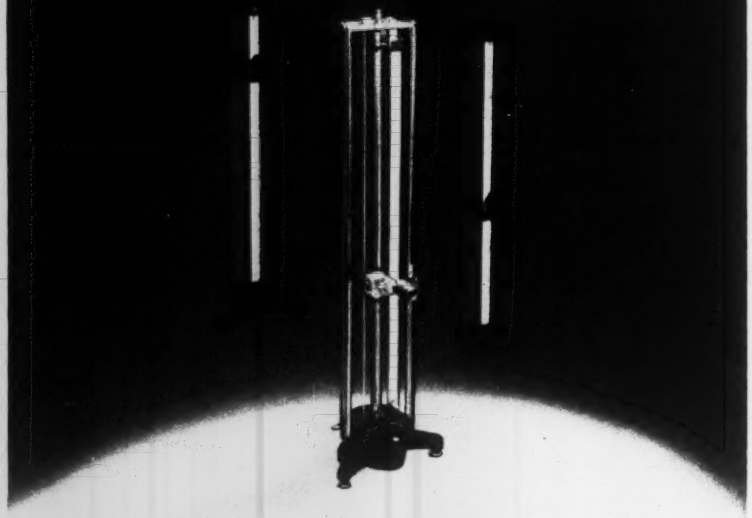

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that there are many existing societies in the engineering field which are concerned with the technical information behind systems engineering. These societies warrant support before we rush headlong into setting up new systems engineers organizations which would be competing for the same technical talent and interest that the many existing societies do.

To what extent have these matters been discussed by the interested systems engineers with the existing technical and professional societies?

Your book *"Digital Techniques for Computation and Control"* has been of considerable interest to me, and I am pleased to see that *Instruments and Automation* is making possible the more rapid dissemination of knowledge in this very rapidly moving field of automatic control and information handling.

Harold Chestnut
Control Systems Engineer
General Electric Co.
Schenectady, N. Y.

The matters you discuss regarding Systems Engineering were the subject of the meeting held at the Fourth Automation Exposition. There are two schools of thought:

First is the school of thought you outline in your letter, which states that (1) most engineering problems have systems implications, (2) engineers have always faced these problems, (3) there is no need for engineering and hardware to be handled separately, (4) existing societies are aware of the basic problems and can solve them, (5) the free play of a free market will establish what is and what isn't economic.

The second school of thought says (1) something new—systems engineering—has appeared on the instrumentation scene, (2) systems engineering involves hardware of many manufacturers, (3) some manufacturers are giving away the engineering in order to sell hardware, (4) consulting engineers with systems backgrounds are being faced with unfair competition because of this, (5) the free play of the market isn't working because many firms are deliberately losing huge amounts of money, giving away free engineering in order to get a few products on the market, (6) the non-hardware producing consultants had better organize their own society to protect their interests.

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shows that there is plenty of evidence to support each of these positions—and those who attended the Systems Engineering Council meeting represented both positions.

A detailed report on that meeting will appear in a future issue of INSTRUMENTS AND AUTOMATION. Meanwhile, those interested in such a Council are planning to work at the local level on a few practical actions such as developing a roster of qualified systems engineering consultants.

If systems engineers do have problems that can be solved by mutual cooperation, a Council may result. If those who have such problems are not basically IRE or ASME or ACS men, it might be advisable to start as an independent organization.

We are delighted that you liked the "Digital" book.

Editor, I&A:

We are subscribers to your magazine and would be obliged if you could give us sources of information on Valve Positioners.

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Singer Development Co.
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Our book "CONTROL VALVES" by Chet Beard (Instruments Publishing Co., $2.00) has a complete description of all American valve positioners—plus other valve actuators.

Editor, I&A:

I have recently read *Digital Techniques for Computation and Control* by M. L. Klein, H. C. Morgan, and M. H. Aronson, and consider it a very valuable basic text which can be used by any one of the scientific disciplines, including medicine.

In planning our research program in the Cardio-Pulmonary Laboratory, Doctor Harry Davis and I have repeatedly discussed the limitations imposed upon us by the laborious analysis of multiple simultaneously-recorded biologic variables. It is now our belief, considering the biological transducers which we use, that digital techniques and computer methods will materially add to our research program by making data readily available to us.

I would be interested to know if you are aware of any medical installations which utilize digital techniques and computers for their research program. Our own research projects involve recording 30 to 50 physiological variables simultaneously. These data are recorded from the cardiovascular and the respiratory systems. If you are aware of any firm having

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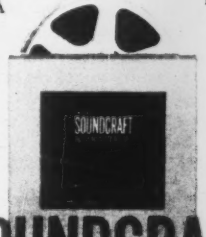

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experience in applying the techniques mentioned above to medical research programs. I would appreciate hearing from you.

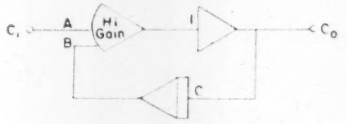
Again, may I say I feel the authors have presented this valuable material in splendid fashion.

J. Leo Wright, M. D.
Director, Cardio-Pulmonary Laboratory
Baptist Memorial Hospital
Memphis, Tenn.

Editor, I&A:

An article titled "Derivative Via Integration" on page 1525 of your Sept. issue contained an illustration of a high-gain amplifier and an integrator connected in a loop configuration. Patched together in this manner the high-gain amplifier would undoubtedly saturate because of the inherent positive feedback.

What the author, Mr. Fogiel, probably meant to show was the circuit given here. But even this is only an



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approximation because no operational amplifier is capable of producing the theoretically infinite-voltage pulse that is required by a square wave input.

James E. Murray
Euclid 17, Ohio

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Magnetic-ink Tester

President of printing company seeks tester to determine magnetic properties of ink stripes on paper; also cross-section and ink film thickness within 0.005" A-349

Timer Testing

Chief engineer of brush manufacturing company seeks equipment for checking accuracy of timers used in manufacturing processes. A-350

Computers in Medical Research Programs

Director of Cardio-Pulmonary Lab seeks contact with medical organizations which use digital techniques, digital data recorders, and computers in research programs. A-351

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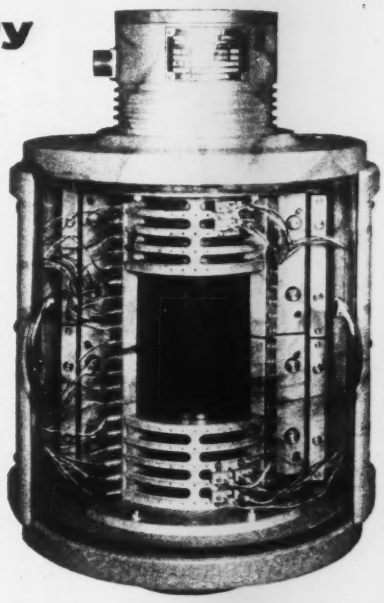

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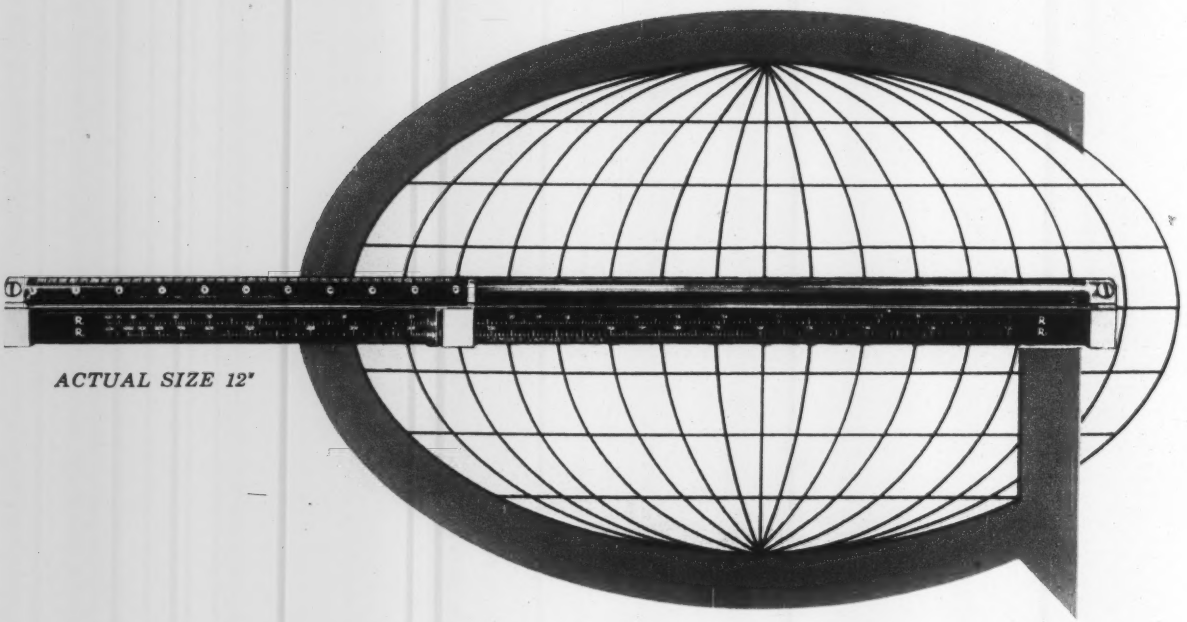

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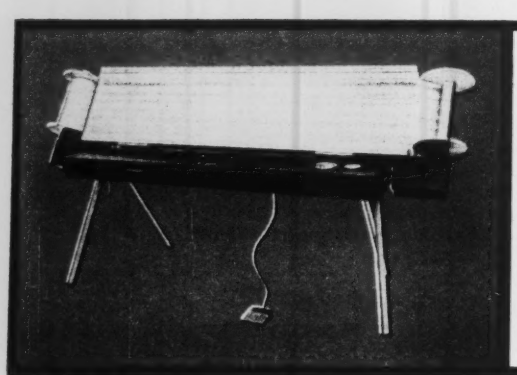

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There are about 46,000 engineers, mostly electronic, employed by the computer manufacturing industry, reports Witty-Polon, management consultants—and more than 1700 computers in commercial and military use, with 3000 units on order.

EIA reports that sales of industrial electronics equipment in 1957 were $1.3 billion, 36% above 1956 and 271% above 1950-57 average. Sales in 1965 are expected to be $2.6 billion.

Daily consumption rate of liquid oxygen in USA in 1956 was 8400 tons, reports A. D. Little, Inc., expected to triple by 1966. Basic uses are in chemical reactions, steel production, High-altitude apparatus, and missile propulsion.

38,000 scientists and engineers are now employed in atomic energy field, reports AEC. Colleges and universities had an estimated 5400 scientists and engineers devoting at least part time to teaching and research in atomic energy during 1957-58 academic year; will increase to 5700 for 1960-61 year.

Operations Research Group of Case Institute of Technology is attempting to develop formulae for optimum research expenditures of (1) an individual firm, (2) an industry, such as chemical industry, and (3) effect on national economy.

National Aeronautics & Space Administration estimates that USA will spend $65 million on space science and $82 million on space technology in fiscal 1959.

National Bureau of Standards has determined new value for fundamental physical constant, gyromagnetic ratio of the proton (measure of proton's interaction with magnetic fields). Results will be better standard for magnetic fields, more accurate values for many fundamental constants of physics, convenient standard for science and industry in measuring magnetic fields (in cyclotrons, mass spectographs, beta-ray spectrometers, servomechanisms, and electromagnets).

West German precision instruments and optical goods production declined from DM 982 million in first half of 1957 to DM 960 million in same period 1958 reports BDSA, Dept. of Commerce. Decline is 4.4% in view of price rise. (DM 4.20 = US $1)

In 1900, 15% of high-school age group were in high school (today the figure is 80%); 4% of college-age group were in college (today figure is 30%); 2% of persons of 22-year-age or older graduated college (today figure is 12%). Further the population has more than doubled since 1900. Thus American educational system has taken ever-increasing load with every-increasing success—and ever-decreasing support in terms of gross national product.

US Dept. of Labor reports that by 1965 we will need 127 clerical and sales persons for every 100 now employed; 122 management workers for every 100 now employed.

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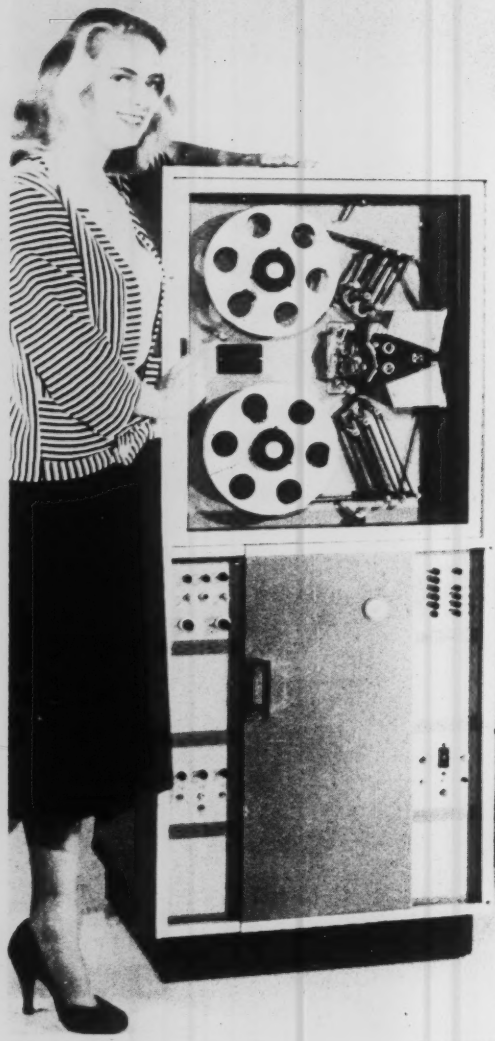

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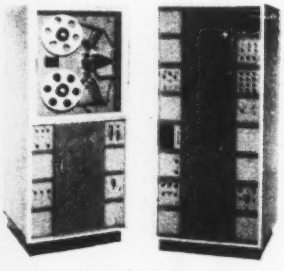

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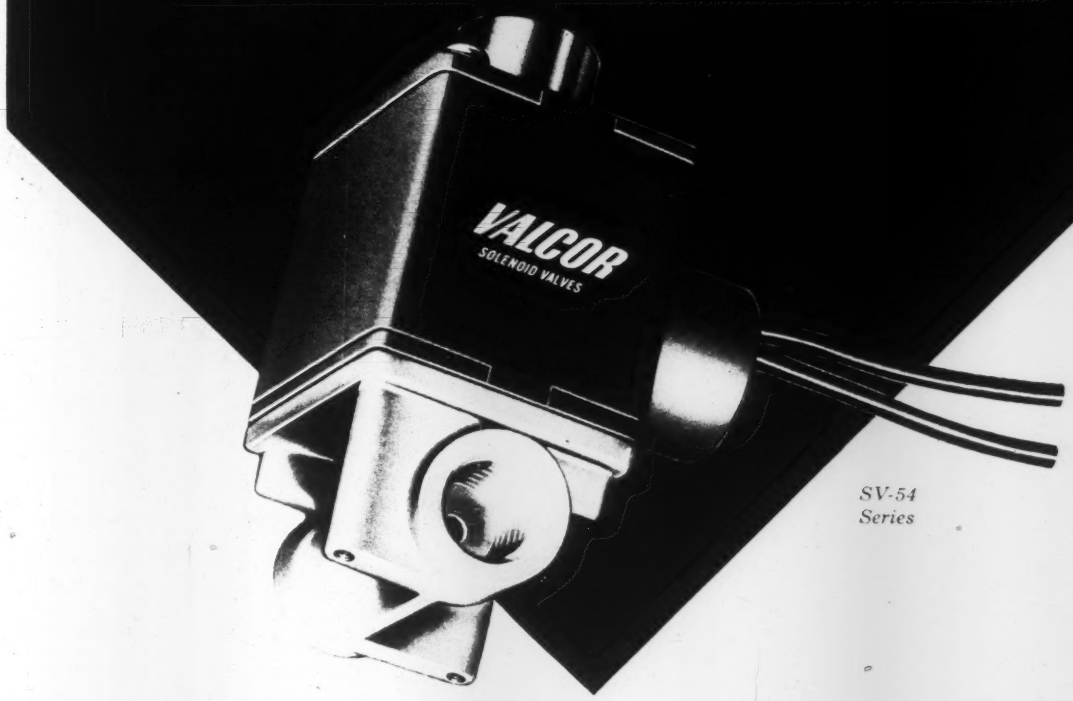

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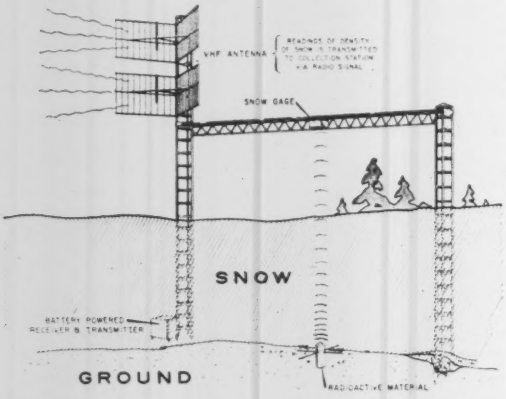
Electronic Snow Gaging

MENLO PARK, CALIF.—A new electronic-telemetering system for measuring water content of mountain snowpacks is being installed in a remote area of California's rugged Sierra Nevada mountains. The system was developed by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers and Sierra Electronic Corporation.



The snow gauging equipment, based on a radiation detector of the scintillation type, enables engineers to obtain accurate hydrological data (water content of snow) from remote, unattended areas. Each gage site includes a scintillation radiation detector, a radio transmitter, receiver, battery and control unit. Radiation for measuring the water content of the snow is supplied by a small deposit of radioactive cobalt buried at ground level. Directly above the cobalt, at a height of 15 feet, is the radiation detector.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.—Lawrence L. Melick, Bailey Meter Co., recently was inducted as assistant director, Scientific, Motion Picture and Photographic Products Div., Business and Defense Service Administration, U. S. Department of Commerce.

Melick, recruited by SAMA government liaison committee as the industry's representative in the Commerce Department until June 30, 1959, is shown taking the oath of office.

Several members of the SAMA liaison committee witnessed the ceremonies. They are (l. to r.) A. E. Gee, American Optical Co.; G. E. Beggs, Jr., Leeds & Northrup Co.; SAMA president R. E. Welch, Welch Mfg. Co.; A. Coors, III, Coors Porcelain Co.; and H. M. Auld, executive secretary, SAMA recorder-controller section.

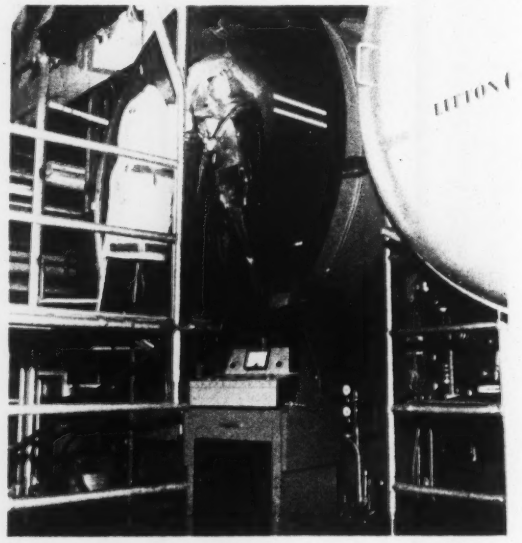
State Government Leases Computer

HARRISBURG, PA.—The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania recently opened its new UNIVAC data processing center here. Thus Pennsylvania will be the first state in the Union to have a data processing center for use by all its departments and agencies.

The system is leased to the Commonwealth at a monthly cost of $25,000. "If used solely for the purpose of processing the payroll it would pay for itself and still save the Commonwealth an estimated $300,000 a year," Governor Leader said.

Space Suit Provides Comfort for Scientist

BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF.—A Space Research Laboratory for evaluation studies in an atmosphere corresponding to altitudes over 100 miles has been developed by Litton Industries in cooperation with the Air Force. It also serves as an important environmental tool for subjecting equipment destined for space travel to simulated space conditions.



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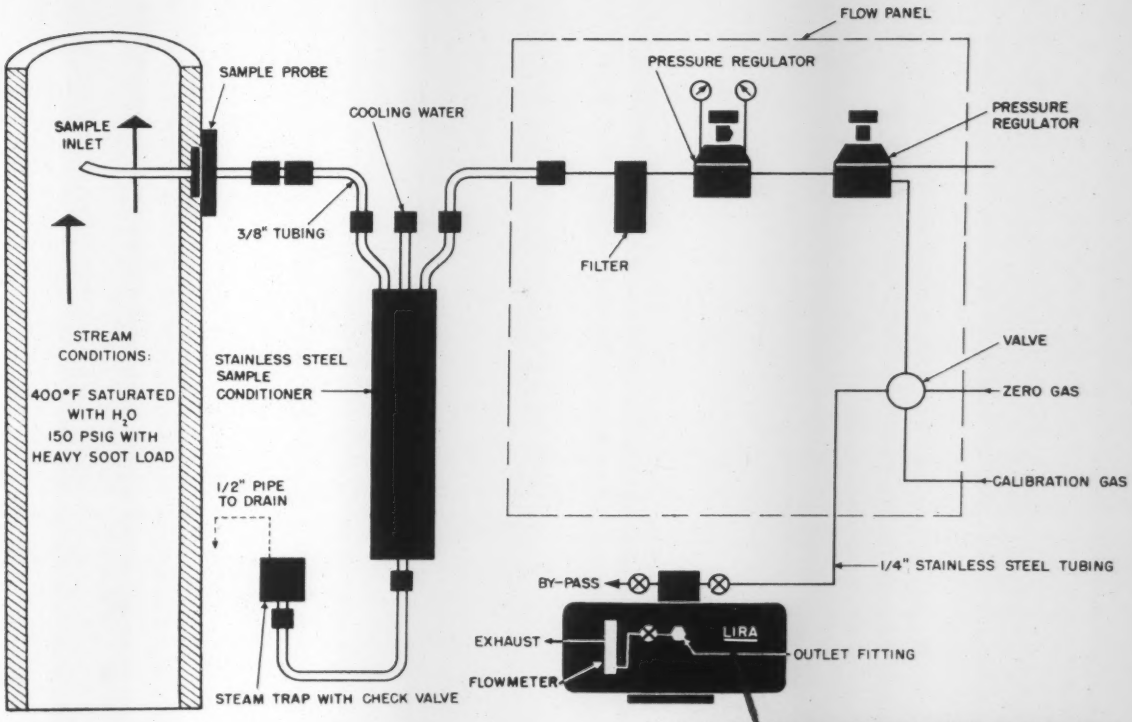

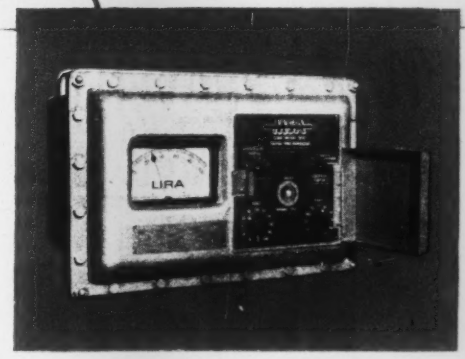

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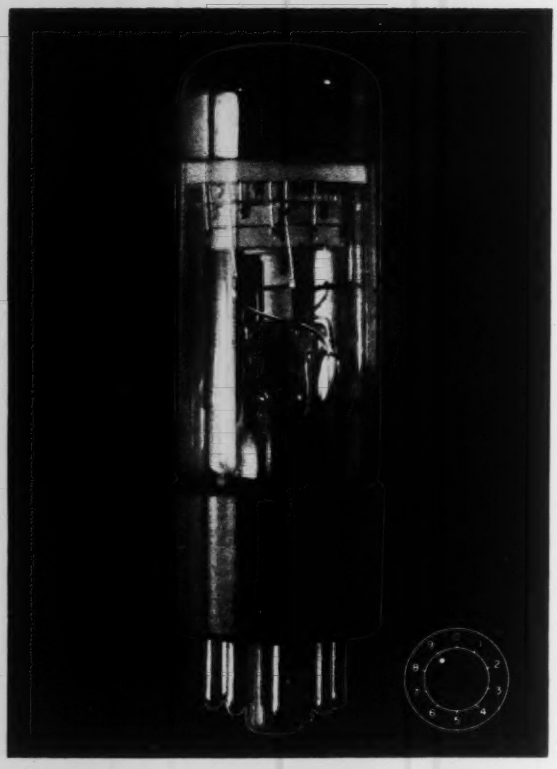

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EPSCO Inc. will market, through its nation-wide sales organization, the DYKOR series of high-speed photoelectric paper tape, reel and strip readers manufactured by DIGITRONICS, Inc.

THOMPSON-RAMO-WOOLDRIDGE CO. (which is marketing the nation's first digital control computer, the RW-300) has joined with Standard Oil of Ohio in a cooperative development study concerning the applications of digital computers to automatic process control.

REMINGTON RAND Division of Sperry Rand Corp. has published the first of a series of papers (UC 892) aimed at providing a broad theoretical foundation for the problem of information retrieval of electronic computers.

CHEMICAL PLANTS DIV. of Blaw-Knox Co. has installed a Royal-McBee LGP-30, stored-program, electronic digital computer, to solve computations in designing heat exchangers, power piping systems, etc., thus releasing manpower for other phases of work.

ROYAL-McBEE's LGP-30 desk-sized digital computer was chosen by Pacific Optical Corp. for optical design calculations and has reduced the time for computation "from months to minutes."

BENDIX AVIATION CORP. has developed an accessory called the CA-2 for its G-15 digital computer that gives punched-card data-processing capabilities to the computer and will lease at a low rate.

SWARTWOUT COMPANY has received a contract in excess of $200,000 to furnish the entire control equipment for Esso's new refinery at Rotterdam, Holland.

WESTINGHOUSE scientists have discovered new uranium compounds which belong to a group of substances called superconductors—materials characterized by the remarkable ability of permitting an electric current, once started in them, to flow in undiminished strength forever.

INFORMATION PROCESSING will be discussed in an **INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE** in Paris, June 15-20, 1959. At the same time an International Exhibition of data processing equipment will be held. Information for the Conference is available from the U. S. Committee c/o I. L. Auerbach, Box 4999, Washington 8, D. C.

ELECTRONIC ASSOCIATES, INC. will continue to market its analog computing equipment and larger plotting systems through its present sales engineering staff, but will seek wider coverage of its growing line of related instruments and marketable components through an organization of manufacturers' representatives. Mr. James H. Smiley, formerly of the direct sales group, has been placed in charge of Sales Promotion Standard Instruments. Interested groups should make immediate contact with Electronic Associates, Inc., attention Mr. J. H. Smiley, Sales Promotion Standard Instruments, Long Branch, N. J.

HAGAN CHEMICALS & CONTROLS will furnish an electronic system, including magnetic amplifiers, to Carolina Power and Light Co., which will control combustion, feedwater flow, pump recirculation, and steam temperature on a new 1¼-million-lb/hr steam-generating unit.

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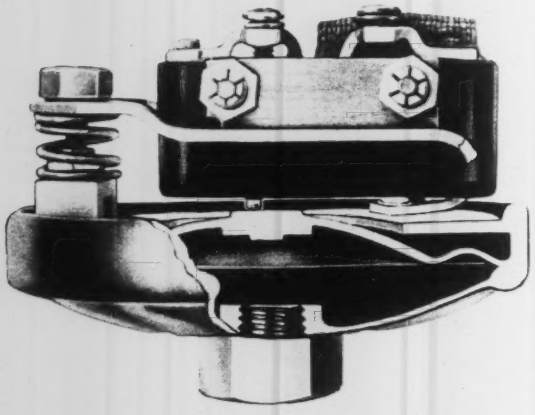

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stock report

Any further information concerning any of the following issues may be obtained from the Research Department, Bache & Co., 36 Wall Street, New York 5, N. Y.

American Stock Exchange:

AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE
Price Range For [illegible] thru [illegible]

	HIGH	LOW	Price as of [illegible]
American Meter	37	31 1/8	31 1/4
Arc Equipment	22 1/8	19 3/4	20 1/8
Barry Controls "B"	10 7/8	9 1/8	9
Belock Instruments	14 3/4	12	12 1/2
Bruns Watch	5 3/8	4 3/8	4 1/2
Bowne Corp.	8 1/8	7 1/8	7 3/4
Clark Controller	21 1/2	14 7/8	15
Clarostat M.G.	9 3/8	8	8 1/2
Clar Corp.	5	4 1/2	4 3/4
Dalmo Laboratories	5 3/8	4	4
Dynamics Corp. of America	4 1/2	3 1/8	4
Electronics Corp. of America	12 7/8	9 3/8	10 1/4
El-Tronics	3 3/4	3	3 1/8
Fairchild Camera & Instrument	41 1/4	32 1/8	40
Globe-Union	17 1/4	14 1/8	15 5-17 (1)
Haveltine Corp.	44 1/2	36 1/8	44 1/8
International Resistance	8	6 3/4	6 7/8
Lear, Inc.	12	9 1/4	9 1/2
National Research	18 1/8	12 5/8	14 1/8
Neptune Meter	31	27 1/8	28 1/8
New Haven Clock	9 1/4	7 1/8	7 1/8
Norden-Ketay	20	16 3/4	17 1/2
Nuclear Corp. of America	13 1/2	8	8 1/8
Pneumatic Scale	35	29 1/8	34 1/8 1/4 (1)
Servo Corp. of America	9 1/8	8 3/4	8 3/4
Servomechanisms	12 1/8	9 3/4	9 3/4
Wallace & Tiernan	33 1/4	24	24
Waltham Prec. Instrument Co.	17 1/2	13 1/4	13

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AC F Industries	44 1/2	37 1/8	42 1/4
Aeroquip Corp.	23 1/8	20 7/8	22
Allis Chalmers	29 3/4	26 1/8	27 5/8
American Chain & Cable	33	29 1/2	32 5/8
American Machine & Foundry	36 1/4	30 1/4	34 3/8
American Machine & Metals	51 1/2	47 1/2	48
American Optical	35 1/8	34 3/4	34 7/8
American Tel. & Tel.	149 1/2	141 7/8	143 3/4
Beckman Instruments	30	28 1/8	29 5/8
Bell & Howell	74 3/4	62	73 1/4
Bendix Aviation	62 3/8	44 1/2	58
Boeing Airplane	36 3/8	34 1/8	34 7/8
Bullard	18 1/2	16	17 1/8
Bulova Watch	24	21 3/4	23
Burroughs	40 1/2	37 5/8	37 1/2
Carborundum	36 3/8	30 7/8	35 3/4
Cincinnati Milling Machine	44 1/2	41	43 1/8
Clevite	22 1/2	19 3/4	20 1/4
Columbia Broadcasting "A"	39 3/8	34 1/2	37 1/2
Consolidated Electrodynamics	37 1/2	27 1/8	35 3/8
Consolidated Electronics	23 7/8	19 1/2	22
Cornel Dubilier	28 3/4	24 5/8	26
Corning Glass	85	74 5/8	82
Curtiss-Wright	32 1/2	26 5/8	27 1/2
Cutler-Hammer	49	40 1/2	46 1/4
Daystrom	39 1/4	30	36
Douglas Aircraft	74 7/8	54 1/2	58 1/2
Eastman Kodak	232	197 1/8	229 1/2
Eaton Manufacturing	59	48 1/2	56 5/8
Electric Auto Lite	37 1/8	25	35 5/8
Elgin Watch	7 3/4	6 3/4	7 7/8
Emerson Electric	44 3/4	29	43
Food Machinery & Chemical	70 5/8	47 1/2	68 1/4
Gamewell	32 1/8	26 1/2	30 1/2
Garrett	44 1/2	27	39 5/8
General Controls	23 3/8	14	20 1/4
General Dynamics	65 3/4	53	57 1/2
General Electric	76 1/4	57	70 1/2
General Instrument	11 1/8	4 5/8	10 1/4
General Mills	80 7/8	66 1/4	74 1/4
General Precision Equipment	42	27	36 1/2
General Railway Signal	52 7/8	41 1/8	49 3/4
General Telephone	53 3/8	43 3/8	52 5/8
General Time	25 1/2	16 5/8	24 1/4
General Tire & Rubber	30	22 1/4	26 1/4
International Business Machines	454 1/2	300	445
International Tel. & Tel.	49 1/4	29 1/4	46 1/2
I-T-E Circuit	42 1/4	35 1/8	40 5/8
Litton Industries	74 1/8	35 7/8	72 1/4
Lockheed Aircraft	54 3/4	37 3/8	50 5/8
Magnavox	42 1/4	30 1/4	38
Mallory	34 1/4	23 5/8	30 3/4
Minneapolis-Honeywell	101 1/2	76	97
Minneapolis Mining & Mfg.	97 3/4	73 2/2	93
Motorola	49 1/2	35	48
National Acme	59 1/4	43 7/8	58
National Cash Register	76 3/4	50 1/2	74 1/2
North American Aviation	36 7/8	25 5/8	32 7/8
Northrop Aircraft	29	22 1/8	27 3/8
Otis Elevator	59 1/2	46 1/4	57 1/2

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New York Stock Exchange: *Continued from page 1762*

Philco Corp.	23 1/4	12 3/8	21 3/4
Radio Corp. of America	42 3/4	36 1/4	39
Raytheon	49	22 1/2	4 3/8
Reliance Electric	26 1/8	18	45
Rheem Mfg.	24 1/4	16 1/2	14 1/4
Robertshaw-Fulton	14 1/4	10 1/4	46 1/4
Royal McBee	31 1/4	25	26 1/4
Sangamo Electric	34 1/4	24	27 1/4
Sperry Rand	24 1/8	17 3/4	20 1/4
Square D	24 1/2	20 1/4	23 1/4
Standard Coil Products	3 3/4	2	2 1/4
Starrett (L.S.)	24 3/4	17	4
Stewart-Warner	4	3	4
Sylvania Electric	44	31 1/2	44
Telautograph	3 1/8	1 3/4	2 1/4
Texas Instruments	44 1/8	28 3/4	42 1/4
Thompson Products	41 1/8	32 1/4	39
Tung-Sol Electric	22 1/4	13 1/4	15 1/4
Underwood Corp.	60	46 1/4	47 1/4
Union Carbide Corp.	121 1/8	98 1/4	121 1/4
United Shoe Machinery	44 1/4	30	41
Western Union	4 1/4	2	4
Westinghouse Air Brake	31 1/4	24 1/8	27 1/8
Westinghouse Electric	78 1/4	54 1/2	74 1/4
Worthington Corp.	31 1/4	24 1/4	24 1/4

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	BID	ASKED
Aerovox Corp.	4 1/4	4 3/4
Aircraft Radio Corp.	21 1/4	23 1/2
Argus Corp.	25 1/4	28 3/4
Bitel-McCullough	24	27
Electronics Associates	30 1/2	34
Erie Resistor Corp.	7 7/8	8 1/4
Fisher Governor Company	17	21 1/8
Foxboro Company	43 3/4	44 1/4
J. M. Ginnini	3 1/8	3 1/4
Industro Transistor	2 1/4	2 5/8
Liquidometer Corp.	5 1/8	5 1/4
A. L. Maxson	6 1/4	7
Penn Controls, Inc.	17	18
Speer Carbon, Inc.	27 1/4	28 1/2
Sprague Electric	44 1/4	51 1/2
Taylor Instrument	41 3/4	42 1/4
Telecomputing Corp.	5 1/4	5 1/2
Vapp Industries	7 1/4	8 1/8
Varian Associates	26 5/8	27 1/8
Vitro Corp. of America	14 5/8	15 5/8

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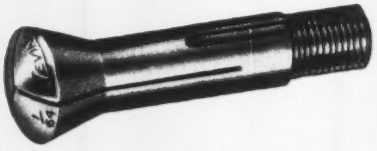

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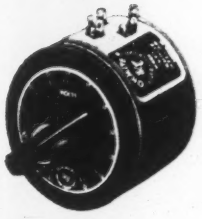

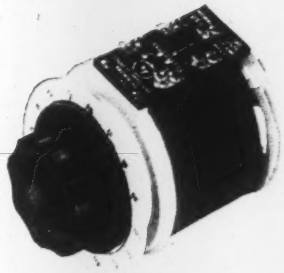

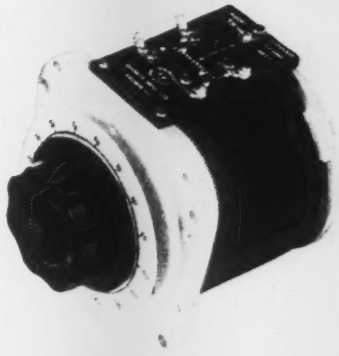

Model VT2—1.5 Amp. Max. Output Current at any Contact Setting (120 V. Input). Load Rating: 0.20 Kva. Angle of Rotation: 320°. Standard Mounting: For panels up to ¼", by ⅜"-32 Bushing and Nut. Weight: 2.5 lb. Pat. No. 2,790,882.

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Model VT8—7.5 Amp. Max. Output Current at any Contact Setting (120 V. Input). Load Rating: 1.0 Kva. Angle of Rotation: 324°. Standard Mounting: Table mounting or for panels up to ⅜", by 3 or 4 screws ¼"-20. Weight: 10.25 lb.

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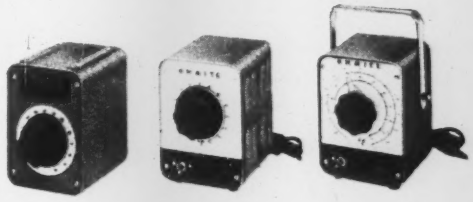

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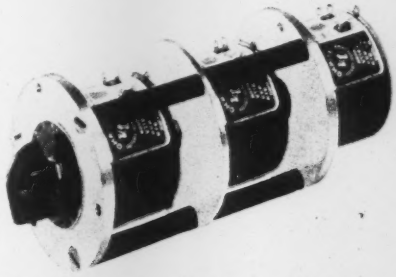

Tandem Assemblies VT Variable Transformers are ganged by means of plates and spacers. The shafts are joined by special couplings for Model VT2; a throughshaft is used for VT4 and VT8. Special tandem assemblies of VT Transformers and Ohmite Rheostats can be made as required.

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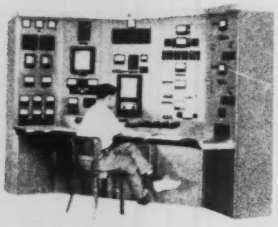

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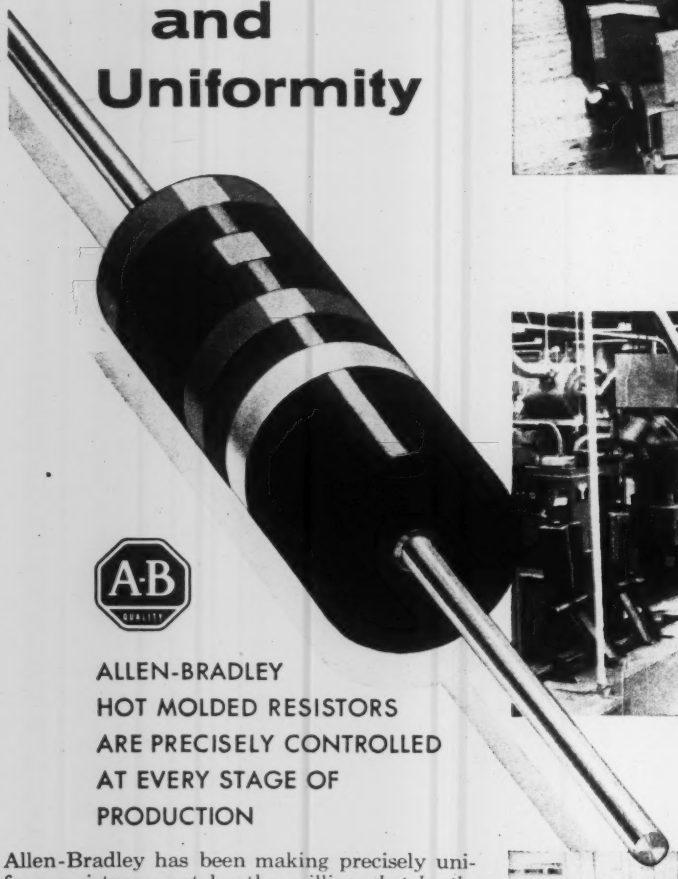

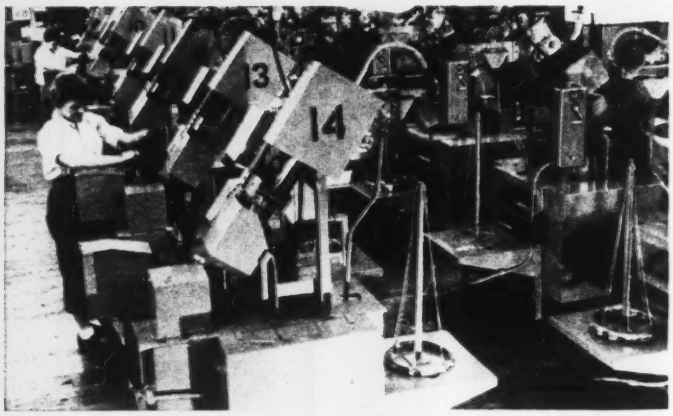

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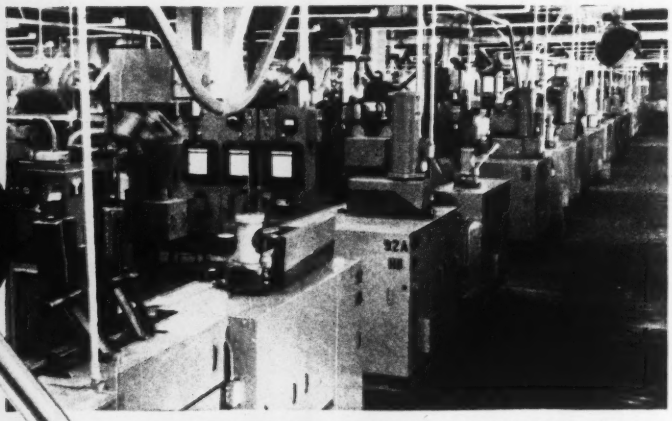

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Electronic Components

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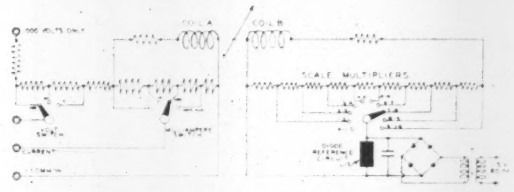
Differential Incremeter

Differential instruments have been used for high accuracy comparisons for many years. Now . . . we have combined differential instrument "high comparative accuracy" with a "high-accuracy" stable reference source and produced a 6.3-inch scale instrument with 0.1% accuracy. The Differential Incremeter has a 6.3 inch scale. However, the addition of an expansion cir-



cuit allows this 6.3 inch scale to be effectively spread out to ten times its own length. This is accomplished by making it read in successive positions: Zero to 0.1 full scale, 0.1 to 0.2 of full scale, 0.3 to 0.4 of full scale, etc. . . . Coil "A" of a differential movement is furnished with the usual shunts and series resistance for current and voltage measurements. Coil "B" is supplied from a high accuracy regulated supply with currents to provide a suppression of up to 90% of the full scale value . . . (*From new 2-page specification sheet, Sensitive Research Instrument Corp., New Rochelle, N. Y.*)

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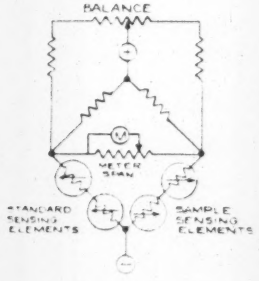
Therma Bridge Gas Analyzer

The theory of determining gas purity percentages by thermal conductivity is based on the well-known facts that each specific gas has an individual heat transmission factor and that certain metals have a fixed temperature-resistance relationship. A Wheatstone Bridge circuit in which one arm is used as a standard or reference sensing element with a second arm used



as a sample sensing element is the heart of the system. With a suitable electric current flowing through the bridge and the same gas or gas mixture surrounding each sensing element, equal resistances are developed. However, if a different gas or gas mixture is introduced around the sample sensing element, this element will be cooled or heated to a new temperature with a consequent change in the resistance of this arm . . . (*From new 6-page bulletin Industrial Instruments Engineering Corp., 39 Commerce Rd., Cedar Grove, Essex County, N. J.*)

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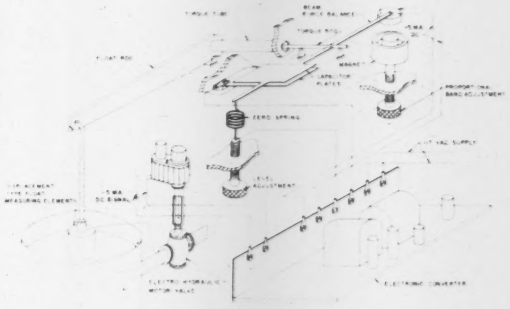
Electronic Level-Trol

The measuring element is the displacer float of the standard Level-Trol assembly . . . In the Electronic Level-Trol, a movable capacitor plate is connected to the torque rod so that any rotary motion of the torque rod will position the movable plate with respect to a fixed capacitor plate. These plates are the sensing ele-



ment of the control loop . . . The feedback coil beam connects the force motor coil, which is surrounded by a permanent magnet assembly, to the torque rod. The dc output current from the converter goes through this coil . . . The force motor coil, in conjunction with the permanent magnet, form the feedback and force balancing element of the controller, insuring stable and accurate response to a change in liquid level . . . (*From new 4-page Bulletin F-85, Fisher Governor Co., Marshalltown, Iowa*)

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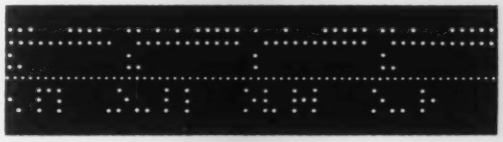
Photoreader

The Model 58187 is a capstan drive, reel type machine which reads perforated paper tape photoelectrically at the very high rate of 1,000 characters per second . . . A new concept in buffer-loop storage, the "parallelogram" swinging arm, provides optimum tape



guidance and enables packaging in a minimum-size panel assembly . . . Special molded plastic reels have been developed for use with the Model 58187. Their low cost makes it economical to store tape directly on the reels eliminating the necessity for storage transfer . . . (*From new 4-page Bulletin 5600, Burroughs Corp., Electrodata Div., Pasadena, Calif.*)

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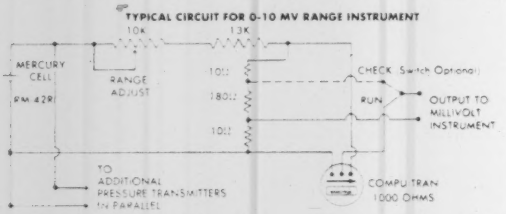
BRIEFS—CONTINUED

Pressure Transmitter

Compu-Tran pneumatic transmitters are pressure pick-ups used to convert fluid pressure inputs to exact proportional electrical equivalents. Output is in the form of precision resistance proportional to the input pressure. The signal may be of high enough level to be used in control, telemetering, or remote recording



circuits without amplification . . . The pressure sensing element for the higher ranges is a specially designed Bourdon tube selected for superior linearity and hysteresis characteristics . . . The lower range pressure sensing element is a precision Ni-Span C capsule having excellent hysteresis characteristics . . . For applications involving pressure measurement of corrosive media, special models are available using appropriate materials . . . (*From new 4-page Bulletin R-1a, International Resistance Co., 401 N. Broad St., Phila. 8, Pa.*)

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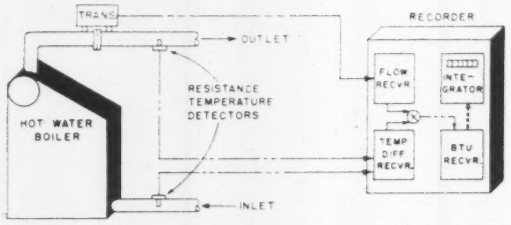
Model 913 BTU Meter

The components which make up the Model 913 BTU measuring system are: One Model 771.3 Universal Recorder (Recording liquid flow, liquid differential temperature, BTU, integrating BTU); one Model 245 Differential Pressure (Flow) Transmitter; and two platinum resistance temperature elements,



differential connected . . . Temperature of the liquid as it enters the process (heat exchanger) is measured by one resistance temperature element. The other element measures liquid temperature leaving the process . . . Liquid flow through the process is measured by the Model 245 Flow Transmitter . . . The differential temperature and flow retransmitting slidewires are connected so as to multiply their respective signals. This product (times the specific heat factor of the liquid) represents the number of BTUs gained or lost per unit of time by the liquid as it passes through the process . . . (*From new 2-page Publication 58-B913, The Hays Corp., Michigan City, Ind.*)

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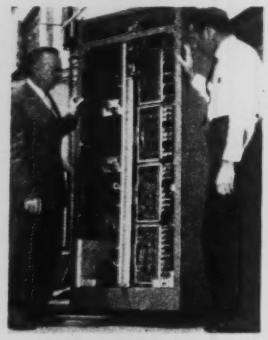

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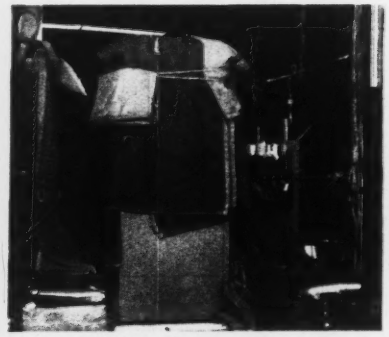

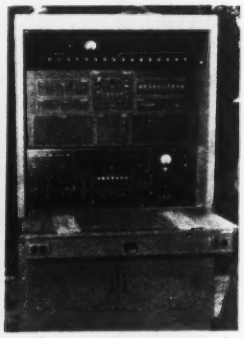

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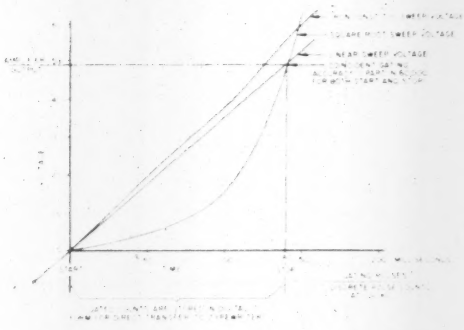

Graphic description of the analog to digital conversion and linearization operations.

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The streamlined valve disc creates a Venturi action in the open position. Compared to many other types of valves, its lower pressure drop saves pumping power.

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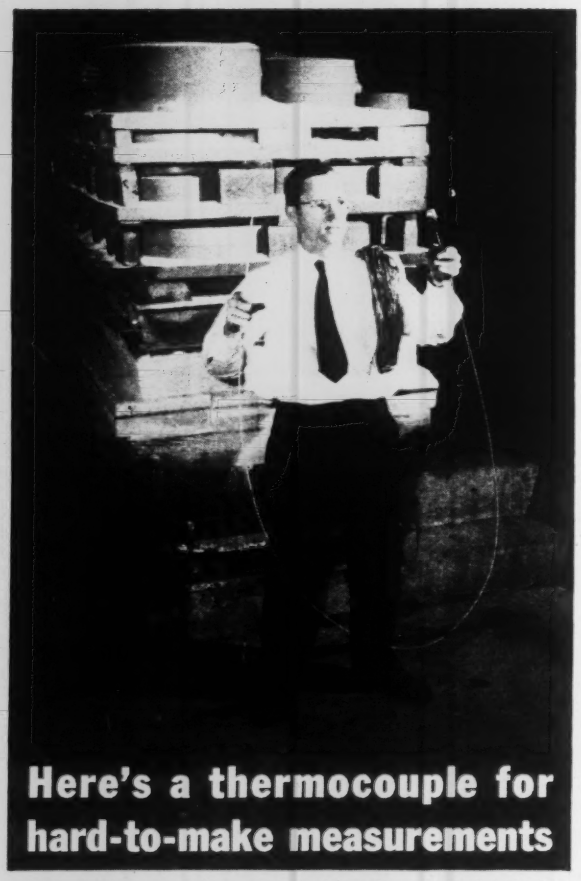

Here's a thermocouple for hard-to-make measurements

BRISTOL "Armorox" thermocouple, here about to be installed in tunnel kiln truck, is more flexible and smaller, but more rugged, than conventional thermocouples.

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AUTOMATIC CONTROLLING, RECORDING AND TELEMETERING INSTRUMENTS

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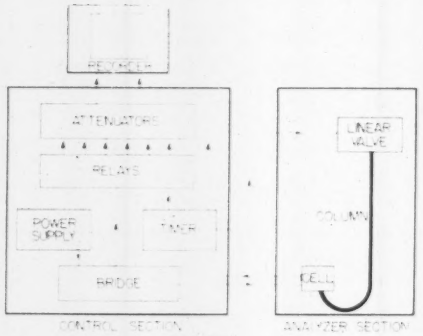
Chroma-Cat Chromatographic Process Stream Analyzer

The chromatographic principle is used to separate the individual components in the gas stream, and a catalytic combustion cell determines their relative concentration. Use of the catalytic combustion cell in a chromatographic analyzer is unique . . . The catalytic combustion cell produces a larger signal output than conventional detection methods, making possible an extremely sensitive instrument with simple circuitry and controls . . . In the early 1900s, the technique



now known as chromatography was first developed and used to separate the components of liquid solutions. Solutions containing several pigments, or solutions of petroleum hydrocarbons, were filtered through a finely powdered adsorbent contained in a glass column . . . In the 1940s, the technique was extended to accomplish the separation of molecular components in complex gas mixtures . . . A measured sample of the gas to be analyzed was introduced into the chromatographic column . . . packed with finely powdered adsorbent (or liquid coating on an inert material). An eluting, or carrier, gas is continuously passing through the column . . . (*From new 12-page Interim Technical Bulletin 15-211, Davis Instruments, Div. of Davis Emergency Equipment Co., Inc., 17 Halleck St., Newark 4, N. J.*)

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Time Function Integrator

The SIE CR-2 Time Function Integrator furnishes instantaneous, integrated digital readout of areas under voltage varying functions. An example is the measurement of the signal peaks produced by chromatographs . . . A small varying DC input is provided from the usual thermal conductivity cell in a chromatograph or from some other similar source. A precision attenuator provides a constant 100 ohm input impedance. The signal is then amplified by two linear magnetic amplifiers and fed to a linear magnetic integrator which produces a pulse rate proportional to the voltage input . . . (*From new 2-page Leaflet CR-2, Southwestern Industrial Electronics Co., 2831 S. Post Oak Rd., P.O. Box 13058, Houston 19, Texas*)

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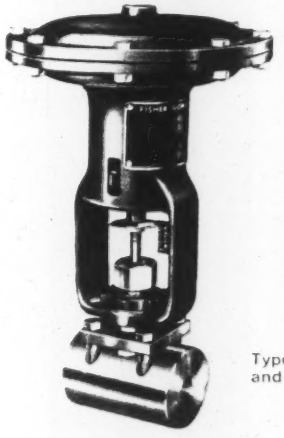
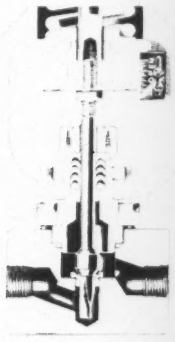
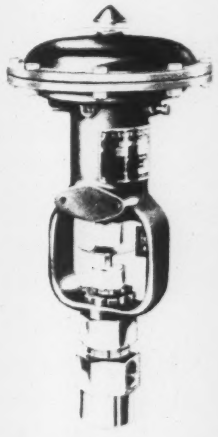
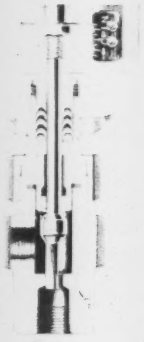




Type 510-B valve with globe body and bolted bonnet construction.





Type 511-BA valve with angle body and a union nut bonnet.

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Valve Body Sizes	½", ¾" and 1" only with screwed end connections.
Inner Valve	Micro-flute or Micro-form.
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TELETAX TELEMETERING

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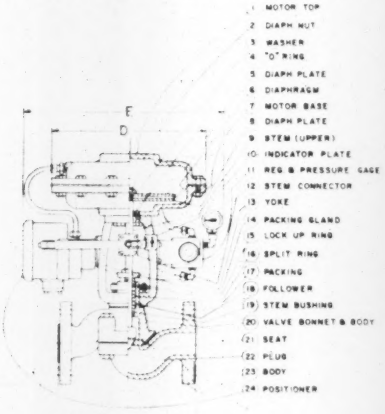
Split-Body Springless Valves

Split body eliminates flange on screwed bonnet type of construction . . . The conventional threaded seat ring found almost impossible to remove in corrosive service has been eliminated. In its place Uniflow type 1000 split body valves have reversible automatic aligning seats clamped between bolted body valves



. . . The new Foxboro Type "C" positioner has high sensitivity with full operating air supply pressure applied to diaphragm motor in response to slightest change in controller upward pressure . . . (or) Built-In Positioners, (pneumatic and electric pneumatic) . . . are an integral part of the valve topworks. They use a diaphragm type pilot which is inherently stable . . . (*From new 8-page Bulletin 117, Uniflow Valve Corp., Cranford, N. J.*)

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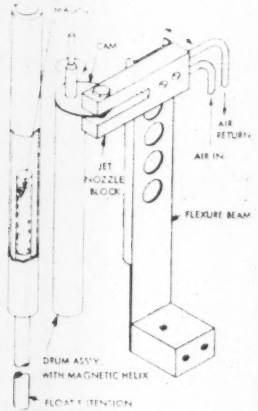
Flow-Rate Transmitter

The Brooks MPT-50 transmitter provides a positive means for converting the motion of a rotameter metering float into an output air pressure . . . Derives rotary motion of pointer from vertical, in-line motion



of rotameter float. Magnetic linkage is positive and unbreakable . . . Air output is linear with flow rate over range of 10% to 100% corresponding to 4.2 to 15 psig . . . Linearity is achieved regardless of linearity of float position vs. flow rate . . . (*From new 2-page Design Spec. Sheet SS-170-1, Brooks Rotameter Co., Lansdale, Penna.*)

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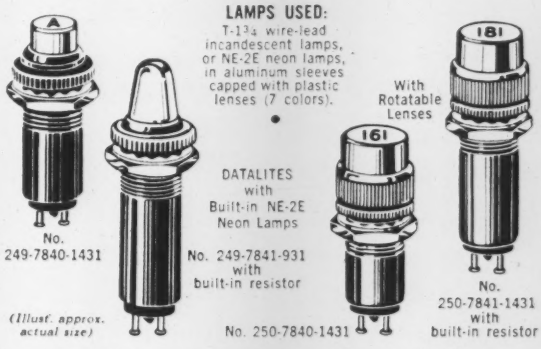
For the Computer-Automation Industries

DATALITES by DIALCO are ultra-miniature Indicator Lights specially designed to meet the critical requirements of the computer-automation fields. Made in 2 basic styles: *Lamp Holders with* DIALCO'S own *replaceable Lamp Cartridges* (see above); or integrated DATALITES *with Built-in Neon Lamps* which are *not replaceable* (see below). Ultra-compact, single units mount in 3/8" clearance hole; the twin-lamp assembly mounts in 3/4" clearance hole.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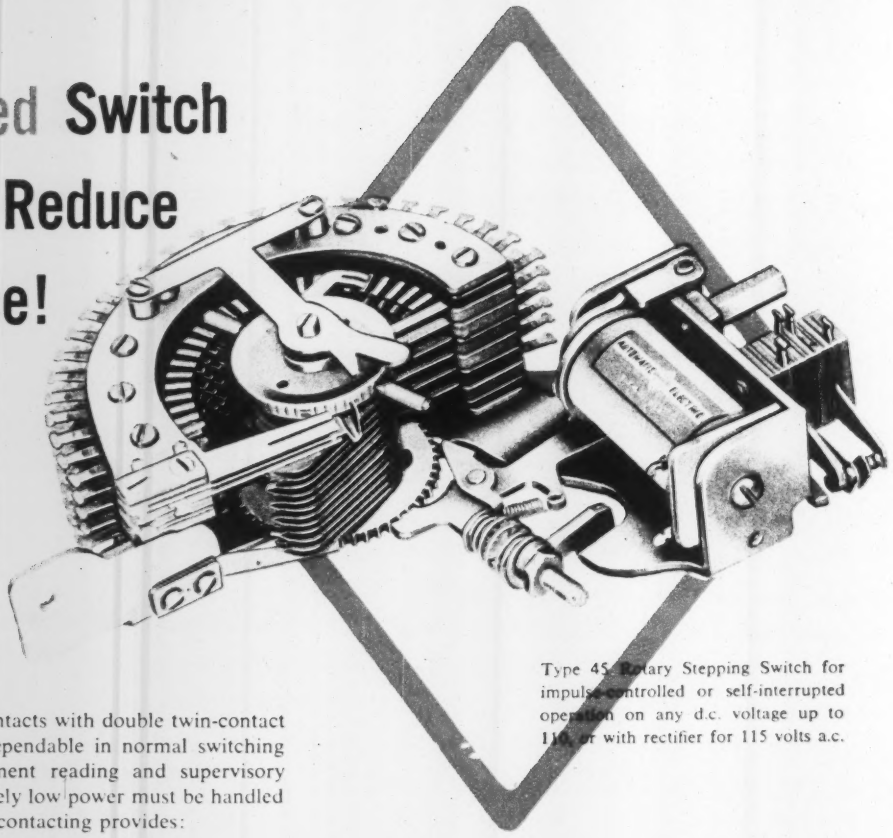

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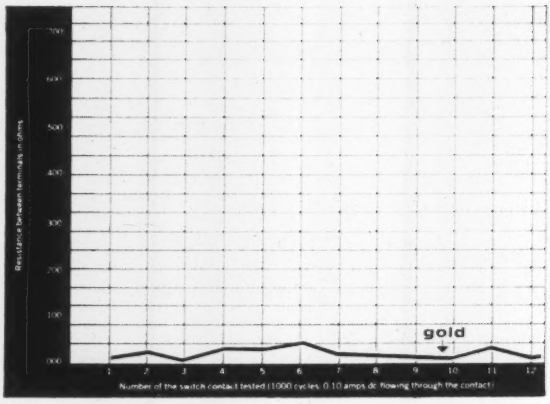

Graph indicates resistances between terminals with gold-plated contacts. Measurements made under heavy vibration.

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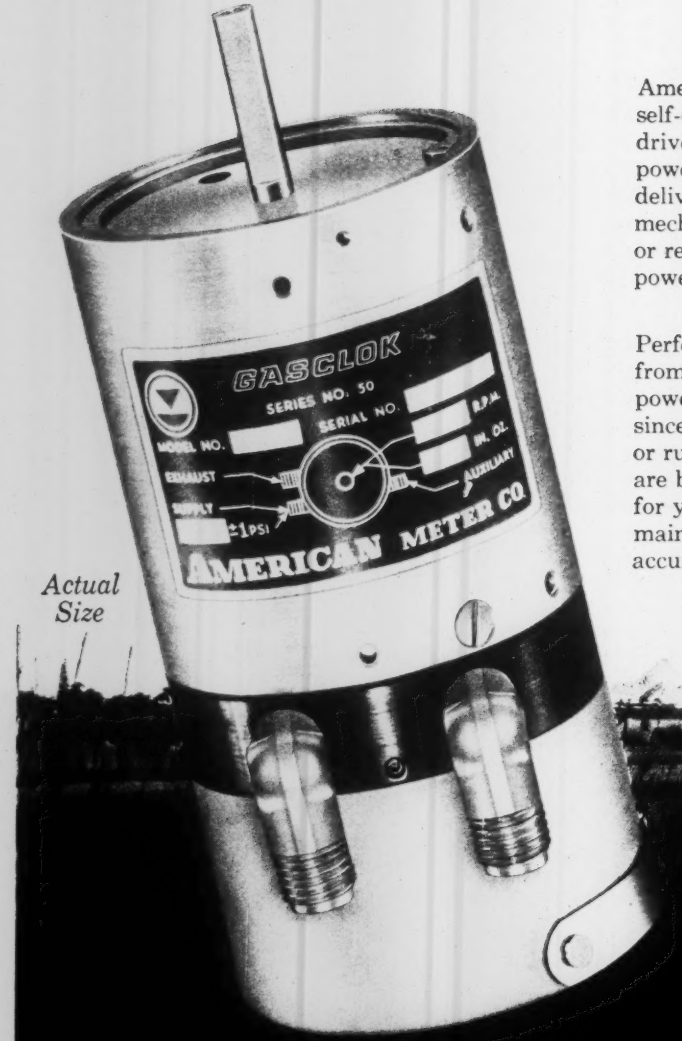

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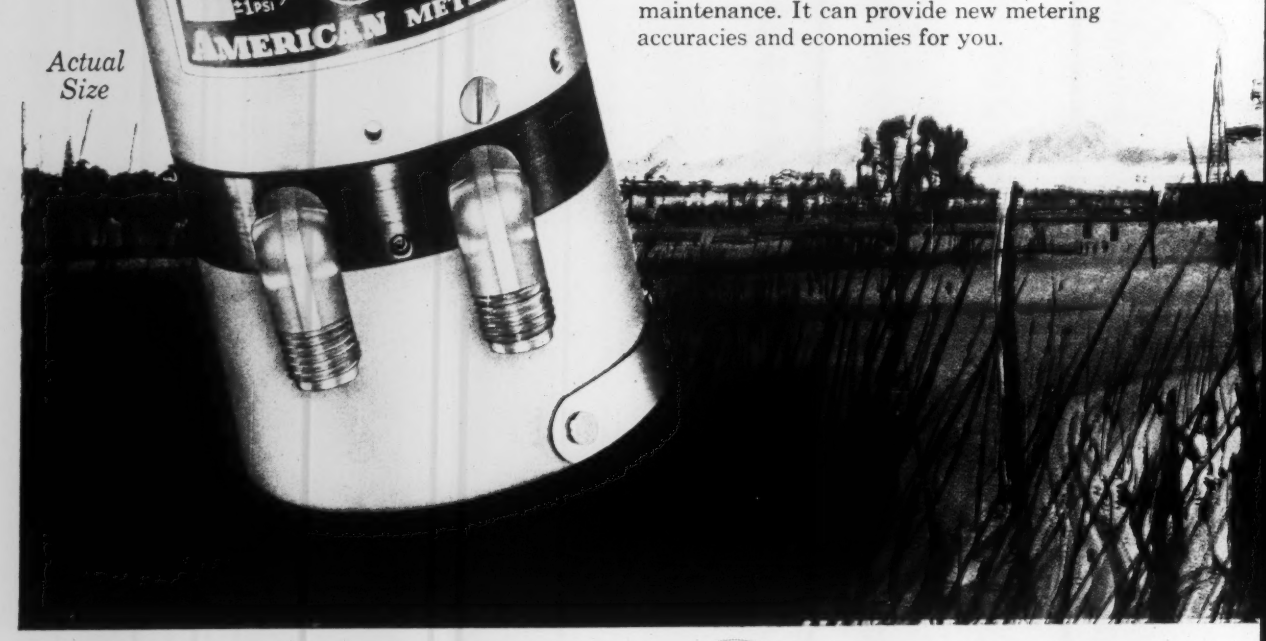

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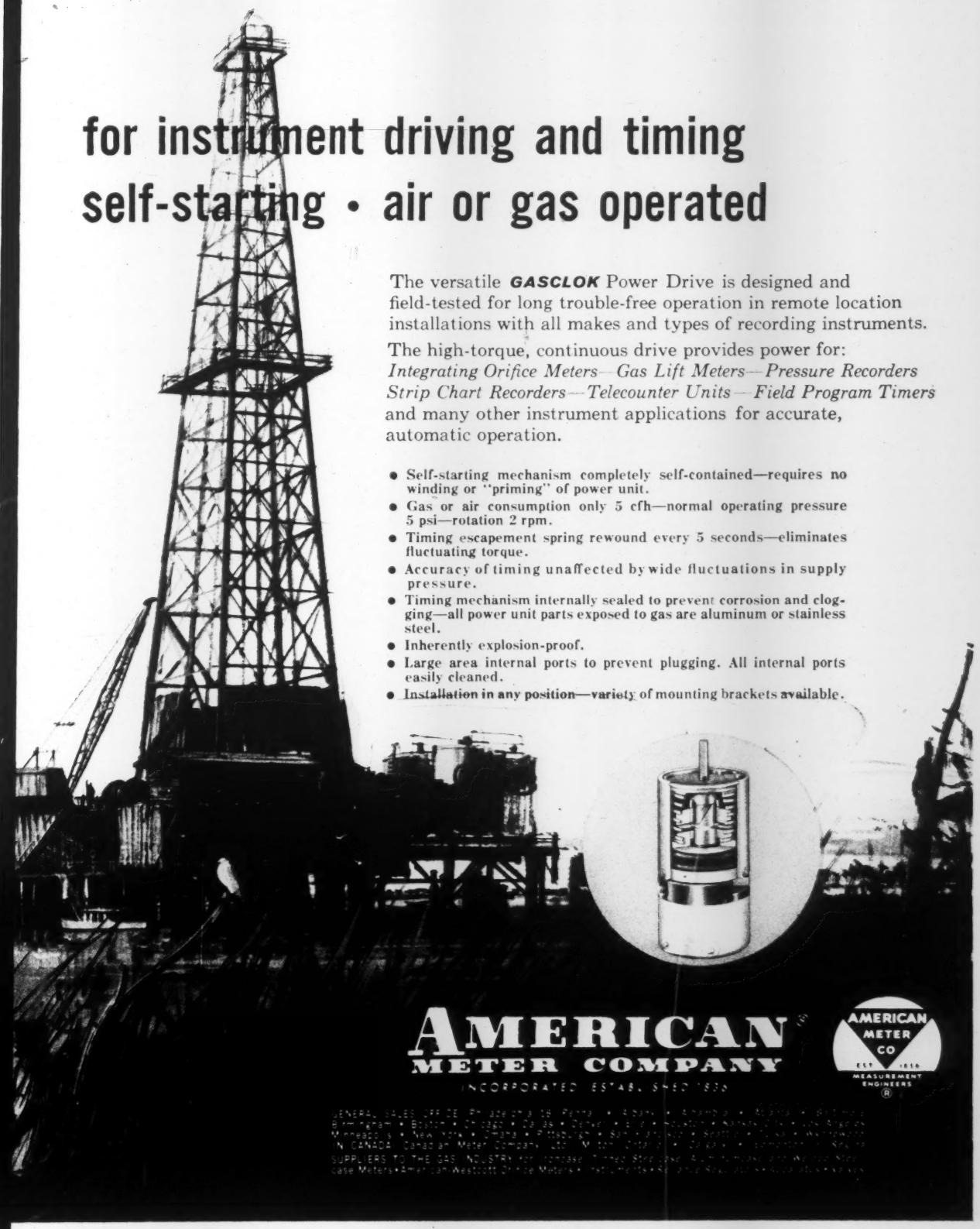

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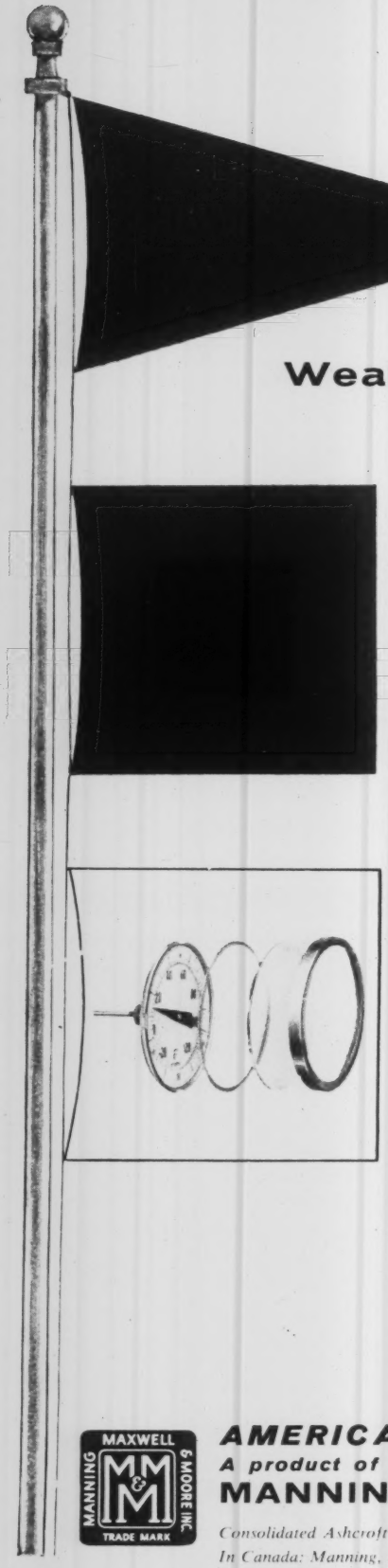

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BOOK Reviews

Strain Gage Instrumentation. edited by M. H. Aronson and R. C. Nelson. 110 pages, 8¼" x 5½", paper. Instruments Publishing Co. 845 Ridge Ave. Pittsburgh, Pa., 1958. $2.00. Twelve chapters by nine authorities in the field cover principles, gage performance, application factors, sensitivity ratings, high-temperature effects, etc. Unique feature is survey of available commercial equipments with pictures of strain-gage instruments and accessories.

Permanent Magnet Handbook. edited by Earl M. Underhill. [c1957.] Crucible Steel Co. of America, Pittsburgh 22, Pa. various paging, loose-leaf binder. 356 pages. $10. 9 in. Deals with design and measurement of magnets, ferromagnetism, magnetization and demagnetization, and the various steels and other materials used for construction of magnets.

Technology Of Instrumentation by Eric B. Pearson [c1957] D. Van Nostrand Co., Inc., Princeton, N. J., 202 p., $4.75, 8¾" x 5¾", cloth. Written for students and new appointees in industry, it uses classical methods for solving differential equations of motion to determine accuracy of instruments and in the study of servomechanisms. Contains also introduction to computers.

Introduction To The Design Of Servomechanisms by John L. Bower and Peter M. Schultheis. [c1958] John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Ave., New York 16, N. Y., 510 p., clothbound, $13.00, 9¼" x 6". Deals with principal performance requirements, such as harmonic response, time response, error coefficient, and noise response on undergraduate level, with examples and problems. Appendix describes some servomechanism components and their transfer functions.

Handbook of Automation, Computation and Control. Vol. 1, edited by Eugene M. Grabbe, Simon Ramo, and Dean E. Wooldridge [c1958] John Wiley & Sons, Inc. 440 p., $17, 9¼" x 6" clothbound. First of 3 volumes covers "Control Fundamentals," other 2 volumes are in press. Half of the 26 chapters deal with general mathematics including integral equations, complex variables and Boolean algebra. Contains numerical-analysis methods and the

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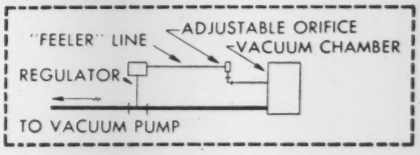

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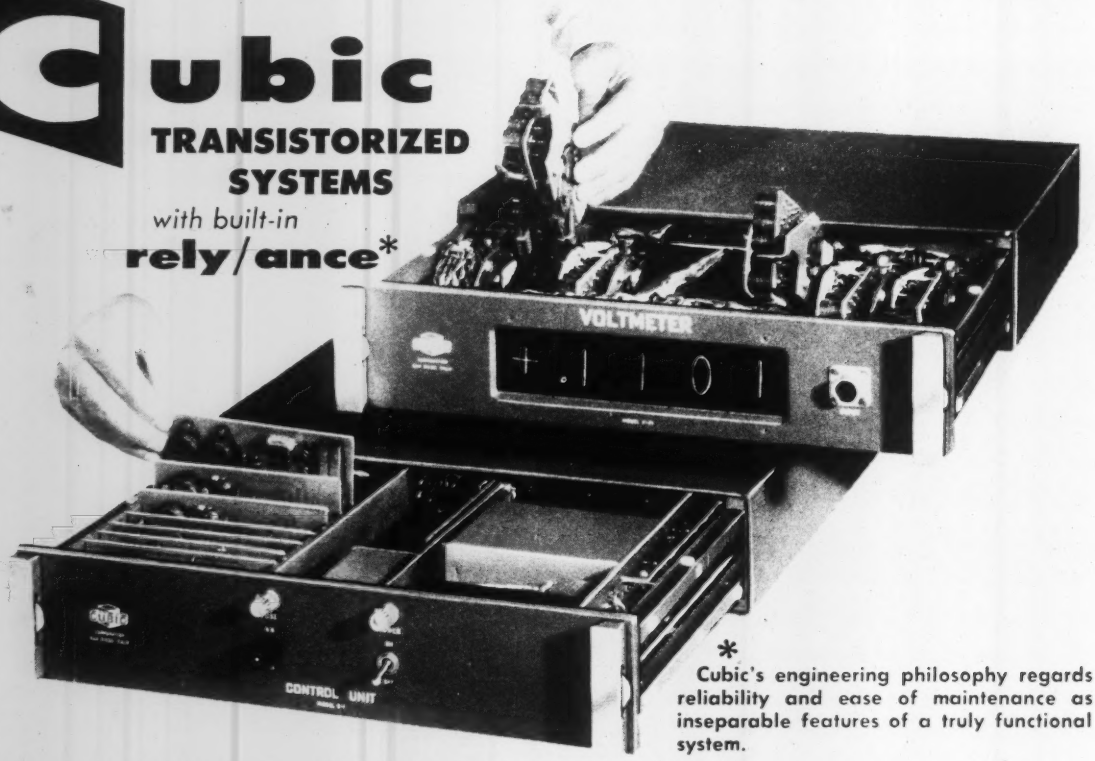

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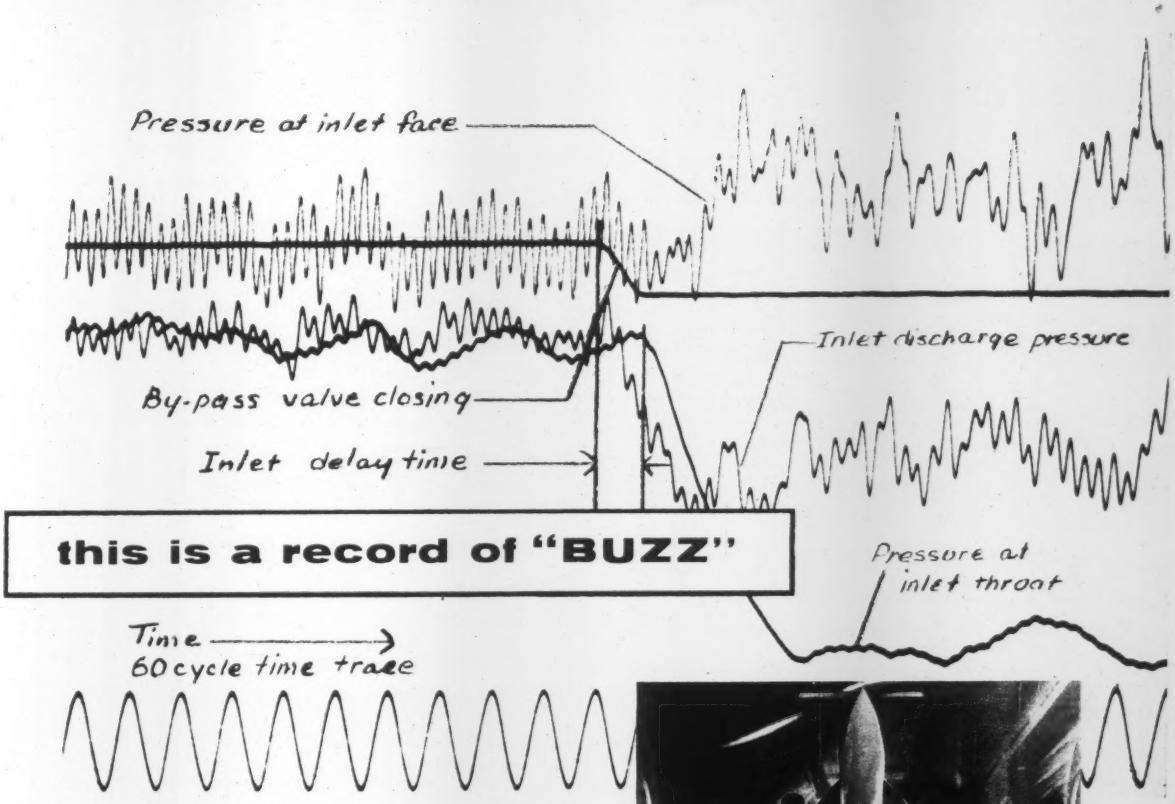

The Visicorder charts pressure fluctuations in a supersonic inlet

A Model 906 Honeywell Visicorder wrote this record of pressure fluctuations . . . "buzz" . . . for the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics at the Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory in Cleveland. Buzz is the term used to describe unsteady variation in pressure and airflow characteristics of a supersonic aircraft or missile inlet.

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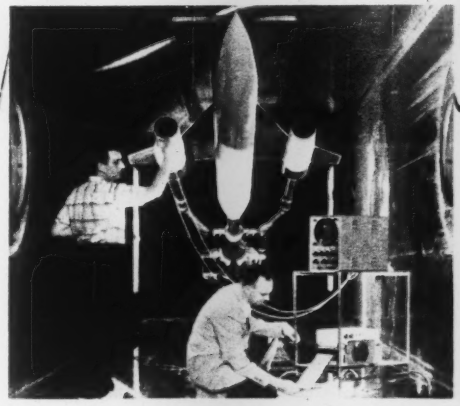
High response pressure transducers are used to measure these fluctuating pressures and the resulting electrical signal is fed into the Visicorder. Records such as this are also necessary in the determination of the inlet dynamics such as delay time. This information is then used to design inlet control systems.



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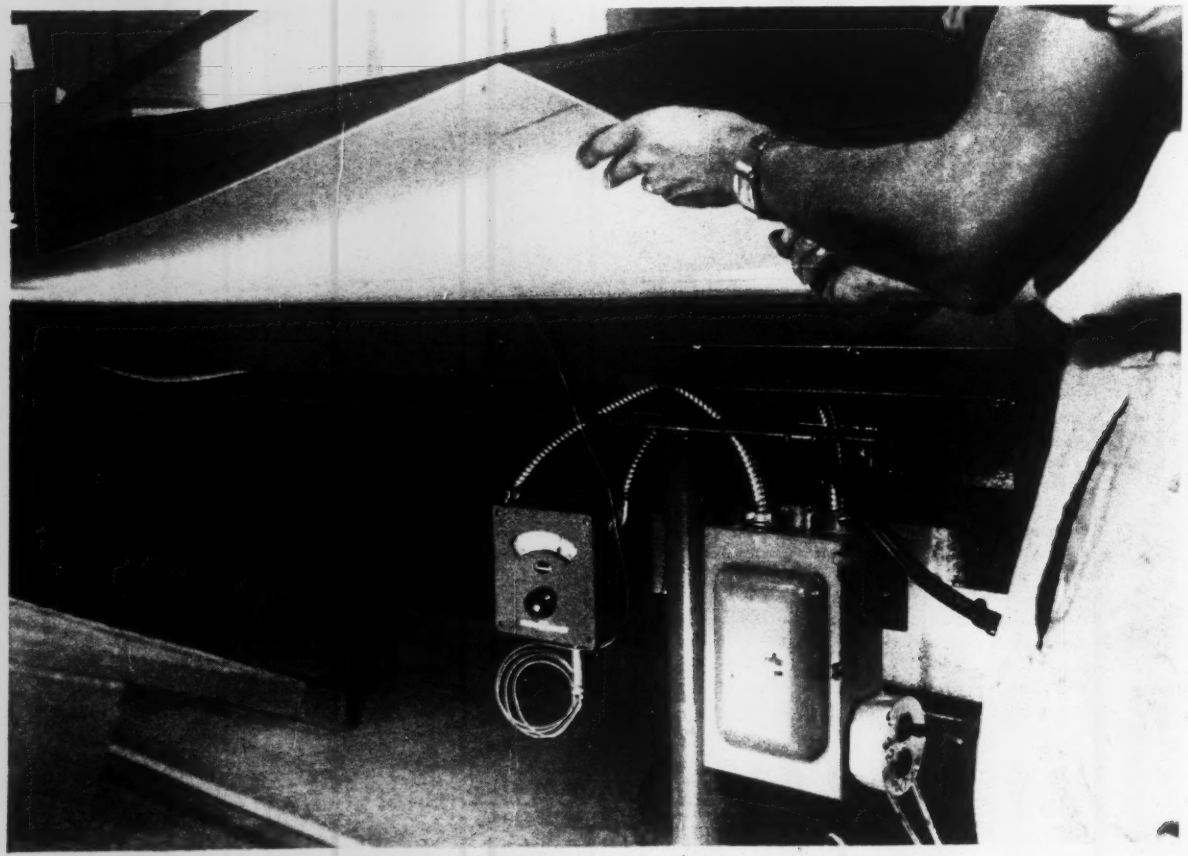

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latest digital computation techniques. Major objective is to provide data for design of digital devices and control systems.

Static Control Application Manual GET-2909 third edition, [c1958] General Electric Co., General Purpose Control Department, Schenectady 5, N. Y., 152-p. $5, paperbound. Discusses what static control is and tells why, when and where it should be used for general-purpose industrial applications.

Digital Differential Analyzers. Ed. 4. by George F. Forbes. 1957. Pacoima, Calif. various paging, unbound. $5. 11 in. A manual for digital and Bush type differential analyzers. Presupposes some knowledge of calculus and differential equations.

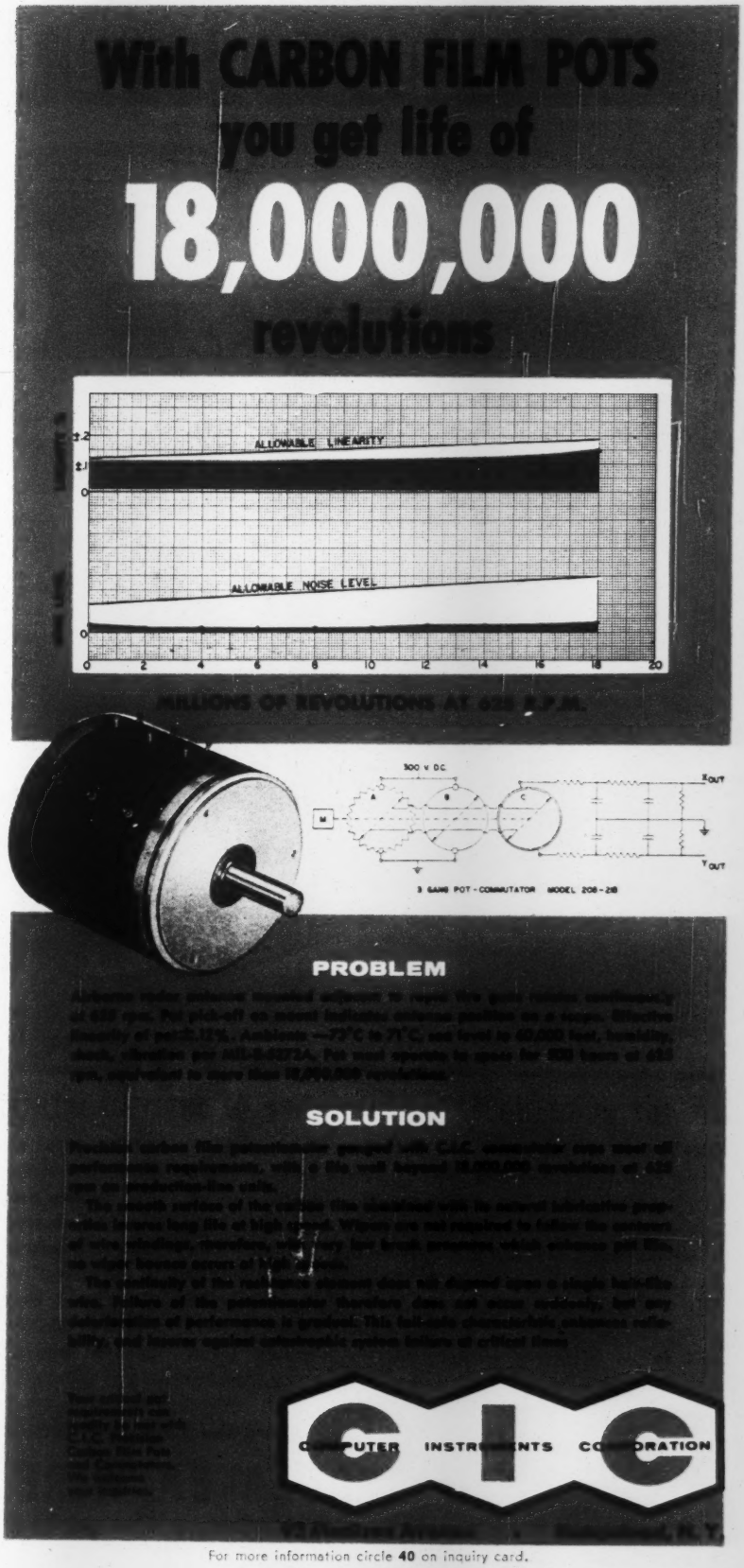
Plant and Process Dynamic Characteristics. 1957. Butterworths Scientific Publications, London, W.C.2. 246p. 50s. 8¾ in. Proceedings of a Conference (April 4-6, 1956) of the Society of Instrument Technology in Cambridge, England. Eleven highly technical papers, with discussion.

Basics of Digital Computers, by John S. Murphy. Vol. 1 (196-1) is 116 pages; Vol. 2 (196-2) is 133 pages; Vol. 3 (196-3) is 136 pages. 6″ x 9″, paper. John F. Rider Publisher. 1958. $2.50 per volume; $6.95 per set. Uses "pictorial" approach to on-off and code fundamentals (Vol. 1), basic logic elements (Vol. 2), and pulse reading and writing (Vol. 3). An elementary introduction in picture language.

Electrical Discharges in Gases, by F. M. Penning. [1958.] Macmillan Co., New York 11, N. Y. 75p. $3. 9 in. Translated from Dutch by A. F. Monypenny. Based on author's lengthy investigations in Philips Research Laboratories, Eindhoven, Holland.

Magnetic Recording Techniques, by W. Earl Stewart. 268 pages, 6″ x 9″, cloth, McGraw-Hill Book Co., 1958. $8.50. An engineering text covering the basic design factors and operating principles of magnetic recording and reproduction.

The Computing Laboratory in the University, edited by Preston C. Hammer. 1957. Univ. of Wisconsin Press, Madison 6, Wis. 236p. $6.50. 9½ in. A collection of 31 papers at a conference in 1955.



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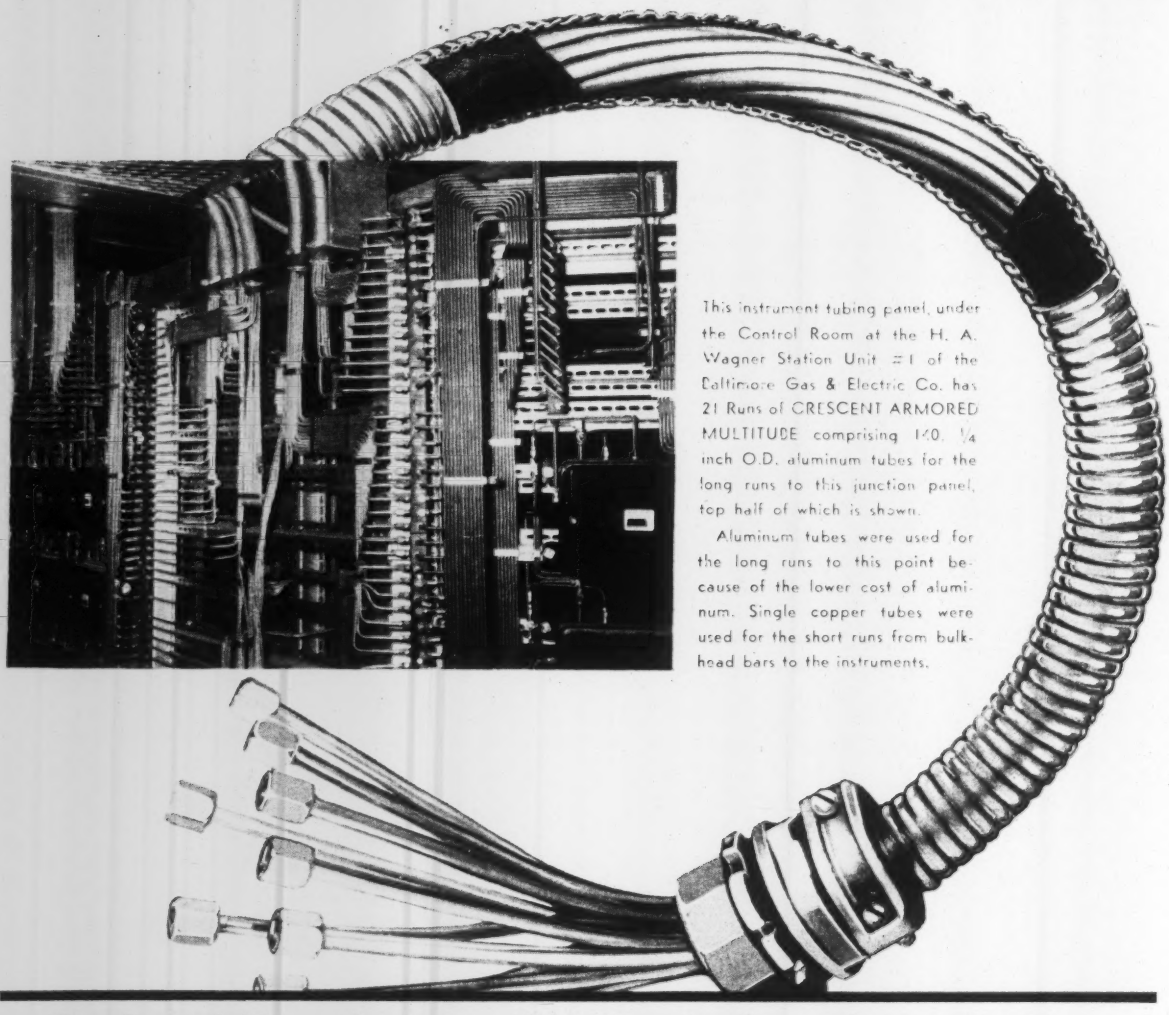

This instrument tubing panel, under the Control Room at the H. A. Wagner Station Unit #1 of the Baltimore Gas & Electric Co. has 21 Runs of CRESCENT ARMORED MULTITUBE comprising 140, ¼ inch O.D. aluminum tubes for the long runs to this junction panel, top half of which is shown.

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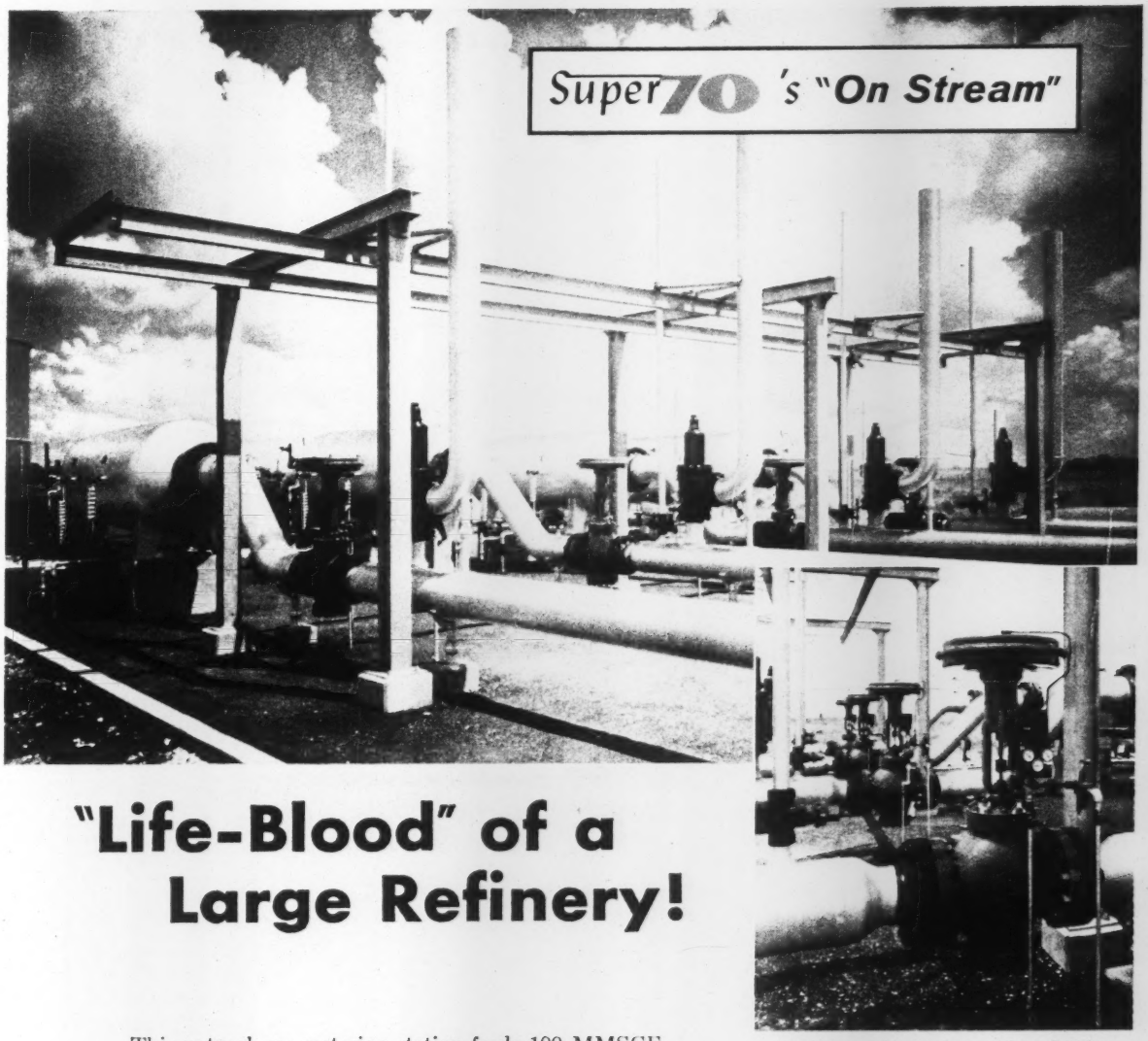

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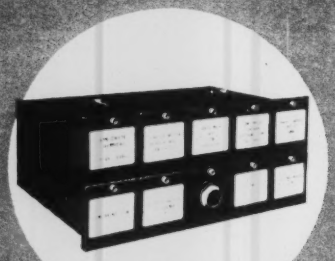

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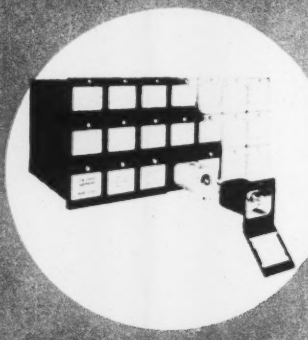

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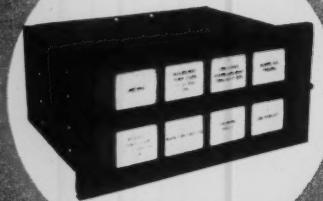

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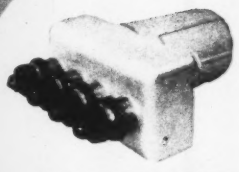

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Eleventh Annual Conference on Electrical Techniques in Medicine and Biology, Minneapolis, Minn. For information write Dr. O. H. Schmitt, School of Physics, Univ. of Minn., Minneapolis 14, Minn.

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International Measurements Conference, Budapest, Hungary. For further information write Dr. Gyorgy Striker, General Secretary, P. O. B. 3, Budapest 5, Hungary.

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Electronic Computer Exhibition (including Data-Processing Equipment), Olympia, London. For information write S. S. Elliott, 11/13 Dowgate Hill, London, E. C. 4, England.

December 2-4

Third EIA Conference on Reliable Electrical Connections, Dallas, Texas. For information write W. O. Richards, 224 Cedar St., Syracuse 3, N.Y.

December 3-5

Eighth Annual Eastern Joint Computer Conference and Exhibition, Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, Philadelphia, Penna. For information write John L. Whitlock, 6044 Ninth St., North, Arlington 5, Virginia.

December 3-5

Second National Symposium on Global Communications co-sponsored by the Professional Group on Communications Systems of IRE and AIEE Communications Div., Colonial Inn and Desert Ranch, St. Petersburg, Florida. For information contact Leslie Spencer, c/o 72nd St., N. St. Petersburg, Florida.

December 8-10

American Nuclear Society Annual Meeting, Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel, Detroit, Mich. For more information write Mr. A. S. Griswold, American Nuclear Society, 2000 Second Ave., Detroit 26, Mich.

December 9-11

MAECON (Mid-America Electronics Convention), Municipal Auditorium, Kansas City, Missouri. For more information write MAECON, 5109 Cherry St., Kansas City 10, Mo.

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Fifth National Symposium on Reliability and Quality Control, Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, Philadelphia, Penna. For information write William H. Rombach, Philco Corp., 4700 Wissahickon Ave., Philadelphia 44, Penna.

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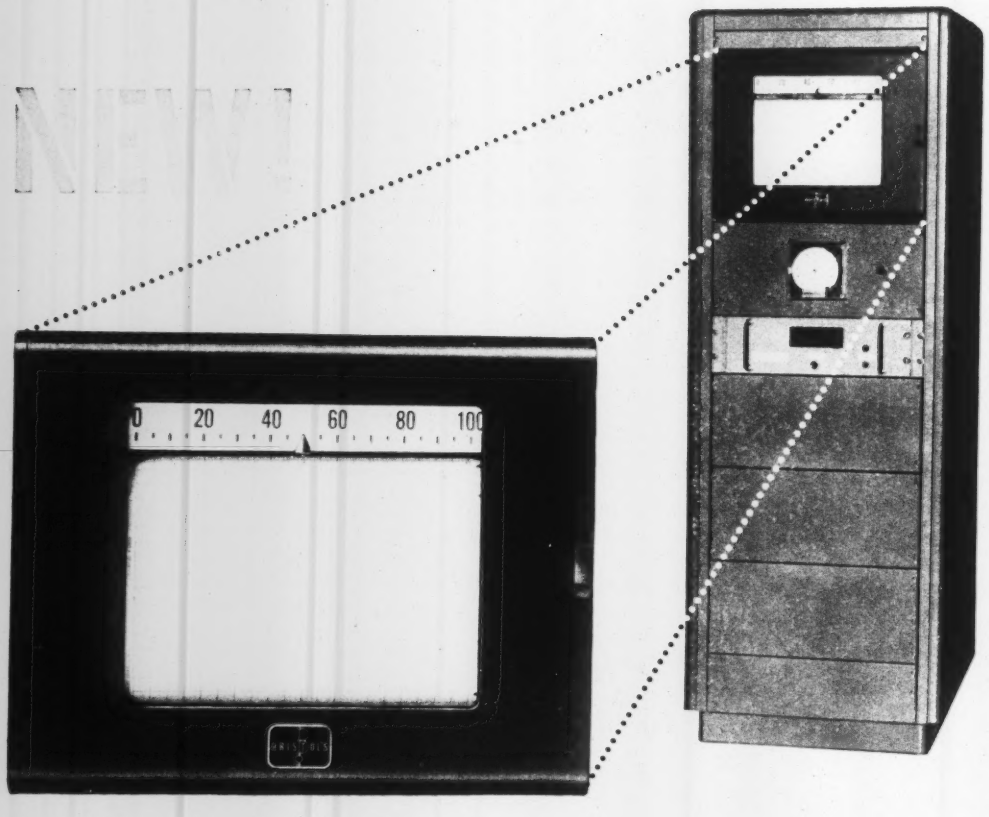

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DYNAMASTERS are available in round- and strip-chart models, and as indicators. The recording models can be supplied as one- or two-pen instruments, or with up to 24 points as a multiple record strip-chart instrument.

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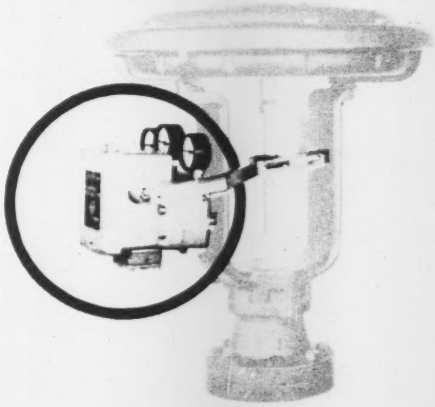

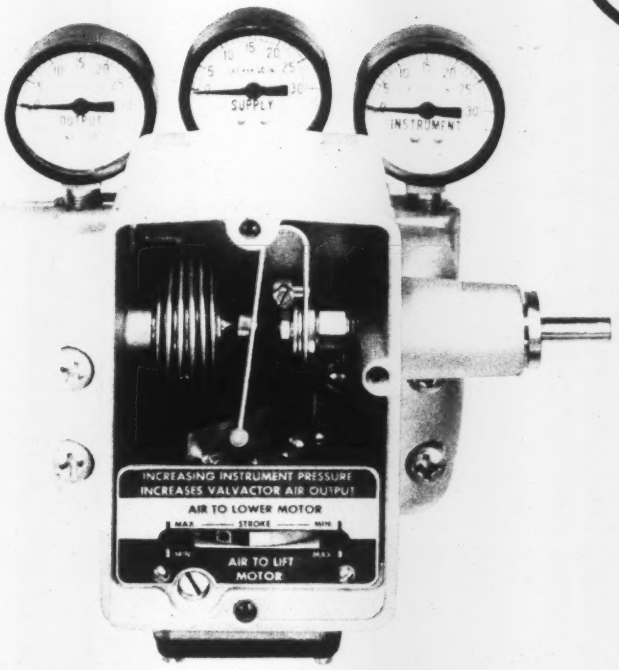

The Type C Valvactor's distinctive motion-balance principle of stem positioning eliminates loading effects of heavy fixed-stroke actuating springs. Note compactness — the simplest mechanical design of any valve positioner.

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Unique Flexibility Easily reversible in seconds. Sequencing by two simple adjustments.

Super Response Full air-pressure output to diaphragm motor on signal air-pressure change as small as ½ of 1% of signal span.

Extra Speed New, high capacity relay provides high speed positioning action.

Positive Positioning Direct, motion-balance feed-back assures instantaneous, pin-point positioning.

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The Type C Valvactor has a master setting disc which provides easy change of action as required by the control system, as well as easy reversal of Valvactor action for air-to-open or air-to-close control valves. Adjusting for limited stem travel is equally simple . . . sequencing of several valves is a cinch!

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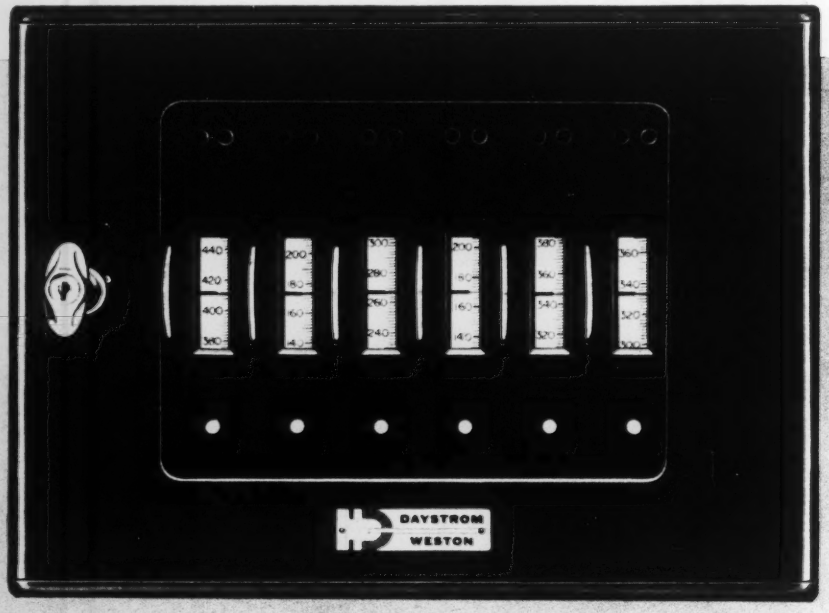

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- Revolutionary new D-PAK constant current source eliminates batteries, standard cells, and standardizing mechanisms.
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Panhandle Pete

THE INSTRUMENT SALESMAN

BLUE Monday, November 10, 1958. Home from the office at last; my gawd, what a day. Nothing right; orders cancelled; called on carpet all day; Old Man got me for excessive expense accounts—me, who has never made more than 50% on the account in my life!

Boss decided to send me to Washington to see army brass about gas analyzers for guided missiles and atomic bombs. "Why don't you go home early? You've made enough mistakes today," says he.

Got home just in time to put up screens, can peas and pluck ducks for our anniversay dinner. Told wife I had to go to Washington . . . she said I was going to dinner . . . went. My gosh but I'm tired. Be glad to hit the sack on the "Capitol Limited."

Went down to the P. & L. E. station to catch B & O No. 6 at 2:05 AM but as I was a little early went across Smithfield Street bridge and stepped into one of the gin mills for some nerve tonic . . . holy smokes! Time flew and I just made it by taxiing back. Pullman porter showed me to roomette; managed to get bed down after removing suitcase from under it. Forgot to pull zipper on curtain and backed out in aisle sans pajamas. Porter pulled down zipper and caught my . . . Oh well, doesn't hurt too much and porter seems sorry. Must remember to sue B & O. Arrived in Washington; raining, no taxis, couldn't find Hertz card, no busses, hitch-hiked to Pentagon.

Pleasant southern-style gal "you-alled" me into army brass waiting room where I sat awhile waiting for some airforce brass to get their feet off the desks, put away the funny papers and rinse out the coffee cups. Leafed through a 1945 *Scientific American*, a 1939 *Electronics Digest* and a 1910 *Hunting and Fishing Guide to the Lower Potomac River Basin*. No wonder we can't get our missiles off the ground; the army is sure behind the times in reading material. Slipped some WESCO! literature in amongst the magazines.

Southern-style gal "you-alled" me into the brass's office. Told Colonel Fogg I represented the newest and most progressive instrument company in the country. While expanding 1005.17% in the last year, we built complete system analyzers, assorted hardware including plows, gas analyzers, Parkometers, O. J. Digital Computers, Snort Air Filters and Unguided Missiles.

Started going into the fine specs of these equipments, but I could tell from the yawns and droopy eyes of the Colonel that I was getting nowhere—so I switched to a new tack.

"Further," I points out nonchalantly, "we have 2074 engineers with water-cooled slide-rules standing by; and our Dr. Otto U. Alles is a graduate of CORG and . . ." here the Colonel nearly fell off his chair in a deep sleep, so I started another line of approach.

"Foggy, old boy, the guvermint is spending $40.0 billion on missiles, rockets, satellites, soil banks and other related projects. How would *you* like to be the man who saved the guvermint a buck? Think of the reputation you would have; even *Life* magazine would be interested. And you can do that by using our inexpensive line of gas analyzers.

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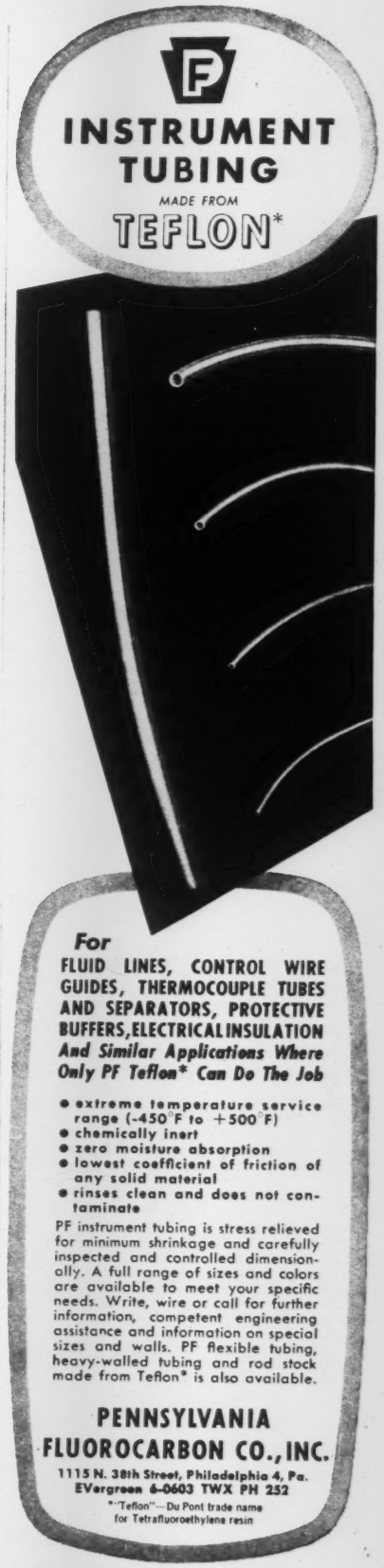
Fogg's mouth fell open and his lower lip quivered.

"Son, did you say 10, 20 and 30 dollars would purchase a guaranteed-fool-proof-transistorized, digitized and systemated analyzer? Send in a quotation for about 1,000,000 *Dillys;* that name fascinates me." Fogg pushed a button, the chair collapsed under me, the floor opened and whoosh! I found myself out in front of the Pentagon. 1,000,000 *Dillys!* Holy smokes, there aren't that many Harzberg Kanarienvogeln in the whole world. Hey Waldo, what'll we do now?

Panhandle Pete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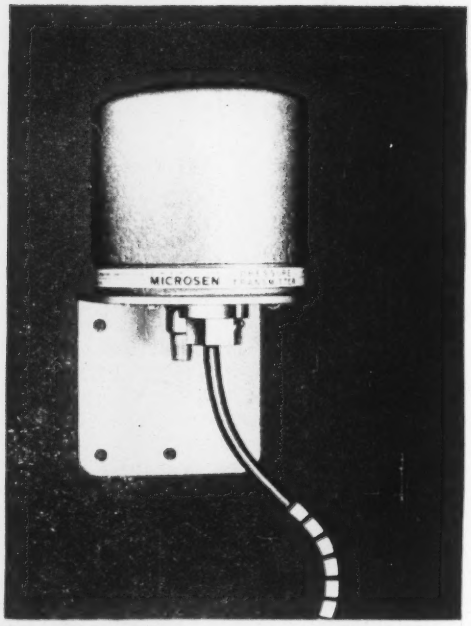
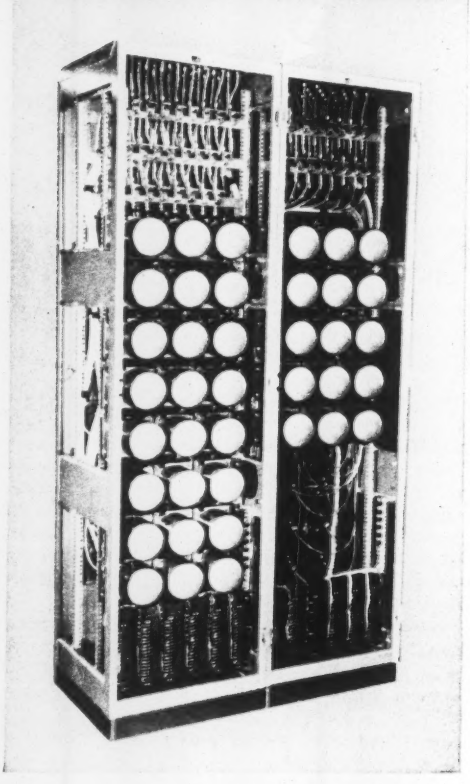
for data reduction systems





The American-Microsen® Series 185 Pressure Transducer is designed to convert pressure signals to dc signals for use with data handling, telemetering or computer equipment. It can be supplied with input ranges from 0-15 psi up to 0-1000 psi; also 3-15 psi to transduce pneumatic signals.

The Series 185 Pressure Transducer converts pressure signals to 1.0 to 5.0 ma. dc which is readily accepted by data handling systems. Sensitivity of the unit is practically infinite. It has a repeatability of 0.3% of span; speed of response is 10 cps.

Use of the Microsen Balance enables the transducer to transmit signals instantaneously over long distances. An external power supply is employed which can be filtered to provide a high signal-to-noise ratio as required in high speed data handling equipment.

Housed in a dust and weatherproof case for universal mounting, the Series 185 Pressure Transducer can be installed on a vertical surface, pipe pedestal or meter piping. It is also readily adaptable to rack mounting as shown at the right. Get detailed information. *Write for Bulletin TP515.*

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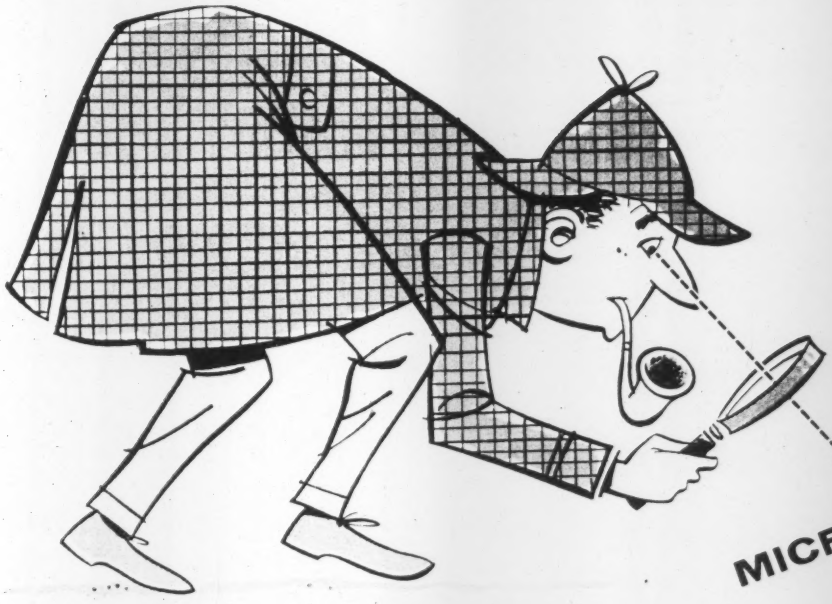

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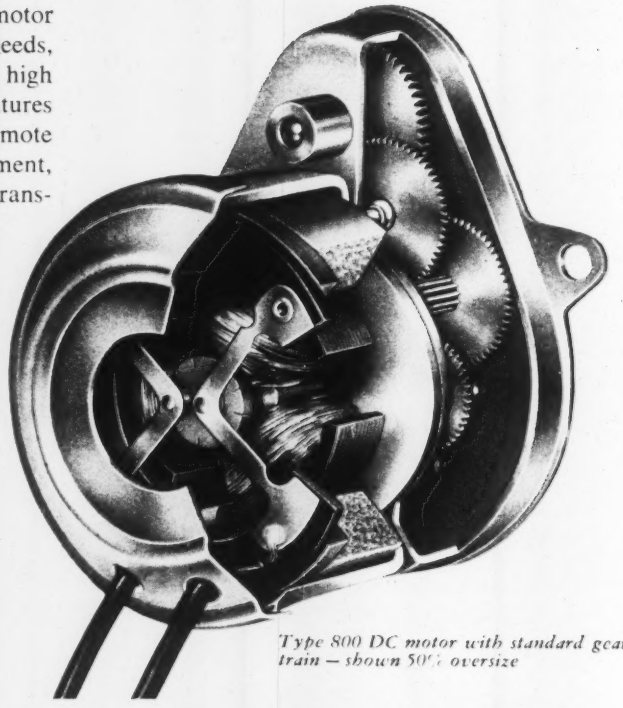
New high-torque low-current DC motor covers extended range of output speeds

The new Cramer Type 800 direct current motor offers an unusually wide range of output speeds, coupled with low current drain, high torque, high efficiency, and excellent speed stability. These features make it the ideal choice for timing devices, remote control equipment, recorders, signalling equipment, communications gear, displays, flashers, chart transports, and many other products.



Type 800 DC motor with standard gear train — shown 50% oversize

Wide Performance Range

Depending on requirements of speed, torque, and voltage, the rotor is wound to produce a basic motor speed of 960 to 3000 rpm. A gear train then reduces this to the speed required at the output shaft. Low rotor speeds result in lower current drain at all speed-torque combinations, but limit the torque available at the higher output speeds. Higher rotor speeds require a somewhat higher input current, but greatly increase the torque available at the higher output speeds.

The Table at lower right illustrates this flexibility of design, with a few examples from the virtually unlimited range of performance characteristics which it provides. Where very low input current is required, and the supply voltage does not exceed 12 volts, the use of the low-speed rotor will provide 30 oz. in. at speeds below 3 rpm and 0.5 oz. in. at 200 rpm. The higher speed rotors meet the requirements of higher input voltages, and provide greatly increased torque at the higher output speeds with only a moderate increase in current drain. The high-torque motor has the additional advantage of speed stability within 10% from no-load to full-load, at speeds below 5 rpm.

The examples given in the Table are for illustration only. By correct choice of rotor winding and gear ratio, an unlimited number of operating specifications can be established throughout the entire range shown. The motor is also available without gear train, for output torques of 0.1 to 0.6 oz. in. at speeds up to 3000 rpm.

OUTPUT SPEEDS WITH GEAR TRAINS	960 RPM ROTOR LOW INPUT CURRENT *(3 to 12 volts DC)*		3000 RPM ROTOR HIGH OUTPUT TORQUE *(3 to 30 volts DC)*	
	INPUT VOLT-AMPERES	OUTPUT TORQUE OZ. IN.	INPUT VOLT-AMPERES	OUTPUT TORQUE OZ. IN.
2 rpd	.16	30	.....	.....
1/6 rpm	.16	30	.56	30
3 rpm	.35	24	.64	30
10 rpm	.35	8.5	1.04	30
30 rpm	.35	3.0	1.72	21
60 rpm	.35	1.5	1.72	12
80 rpm	.35	1.1	1.72	8.5
200 rpm	.35	.5	1.72	3.5
900 rpm	.....	.....	1.90	.8

Typical Performance of Type 800 DC Motors for Minimum Input Current or Maximum Output Torque

Specifications

SPEEDS — 2 rpd to 900 rpm with gear train, 960 rpm to 3000 rpm without gear train.

TORQUE — 0.1 to 0.6 oz. in. without gear train, and to 30 oz. in. with gear train.

CURRENT DRAIN — as low as 30 milliamperes, depending on voltage, load and speed.

VOLTAGES — from 3 to 30 volts DC.

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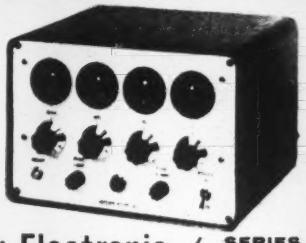

New Electronic Predetermining Counters

SERIES 1604

These counters are ideal for batch control, sequential predetermining, or accurate length control in such applications as packaging, coil winding, slitting, stacking and material handling.

A versatile group of transistorized electronic predetermining counters designed particularly for industrial applications. These units will operate at speeds up to 5,000 counts per second, with automatic recycling at speeds up to 1,000 counts per second. A photohead to actuate the counter can be designed to fit specific applications.

Units can be easily operated by non-technical personnel. The preset quantity can be established quickly at any point within the range of the counter by means of the large selector knobs. Any number of decades can be furnished.

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This is your complete package for predetermining counting at high speeds.

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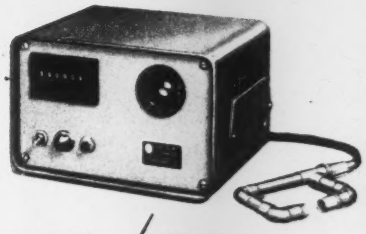

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Complete electronic counting package for use where high speed, long life and instant reset are required. Highly suitable for high speed direct counting applications such as can and bottle counting or case or piece counting on conveyor lines.

Consists of glow-transfer cold-cathode counting tube and high speed magnetic counter, coupled with transistorized circuits. Photohead designed to your application.

The use of transistors means that heat has been eliminated and no warm up time is required. Unit is completely enclosed in an attractive industrial case to insure long, trouble-free life. Use of an electronic decade increases the life of the electro-mechanical counter and makes the unit ideal for continuous rugged operation.

Write for complete specifications and prices today!

NEW SERIES 1522

High-Speed Predetermining Counter

Ideal for high-speed counting requirements such as coil winding, textile spinning frames, and other predetermining counter requirements.

Instant quick-lever reset, plus quick and easy setting of the predetermined number are outstanding features of this counter. Measures approximately 2.6" wide, 5" long, 2.8" high. Speeds up to 6,000 RPM or 8,000 CPM are maximums recommended.

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Also available as a high-speed revolution counter without predetermining feature.

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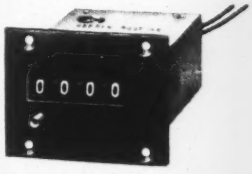

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Available for 6, 12, 24, 48 and 115 volts D.C. operation. For A.C. operation suitable electrical components must be added externally. Reset voltages available are 6, 12, 24, 48, 115 and 230.

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THE RW-300

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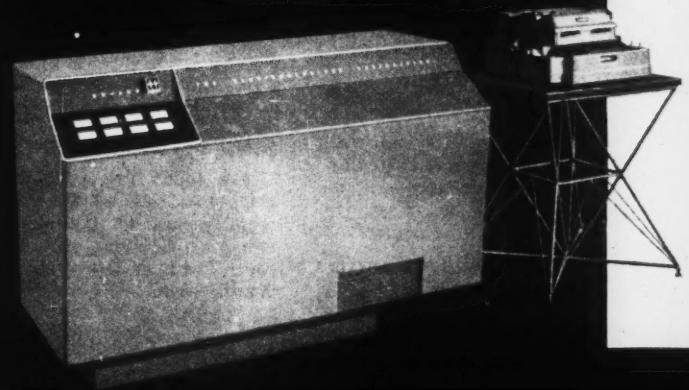

The Ramo-Wooldridge RW-300 Digital Control Computer is available *now* to control process units in oil refineries, chemical plants, and other process industries.

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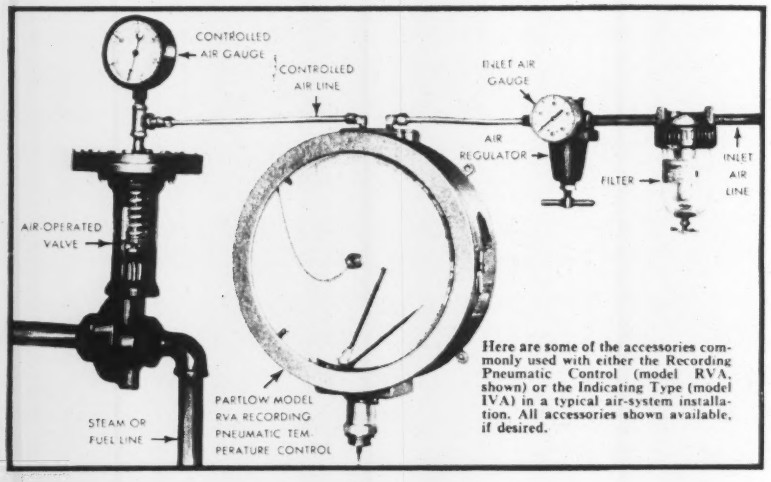
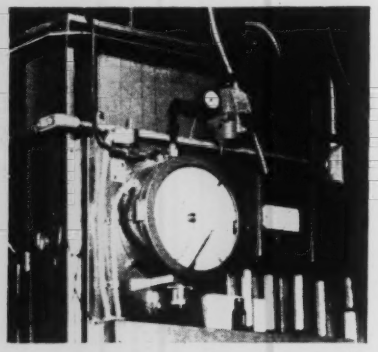


Here are some of the accessories commonly used with either the Recording Pneumatic Control (model RVA, shown) or the Indicating Type (model IVA) in a typical air-system installation. All accessories shown available, if desired.



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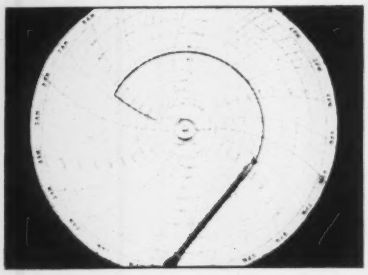

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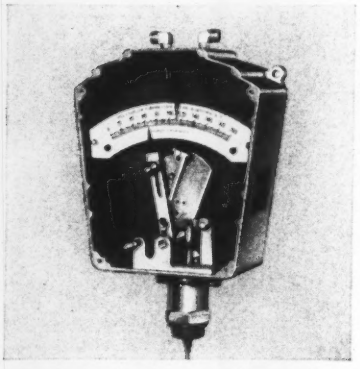

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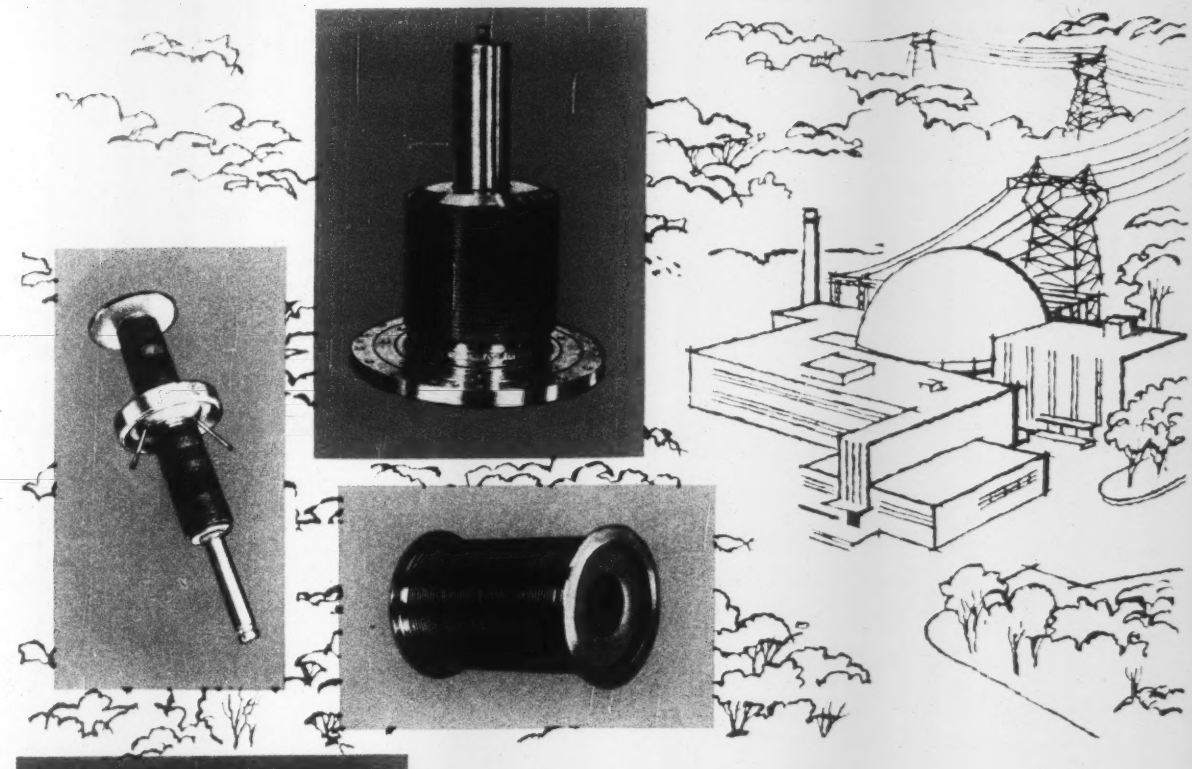

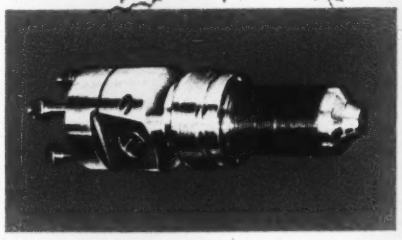

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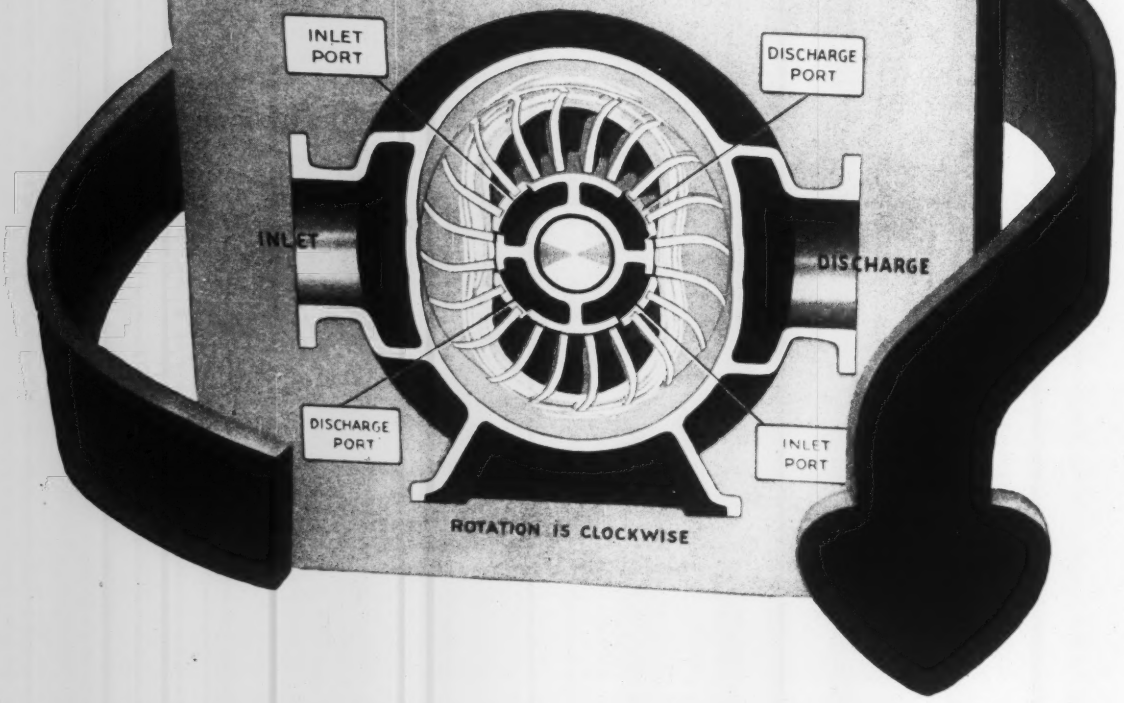

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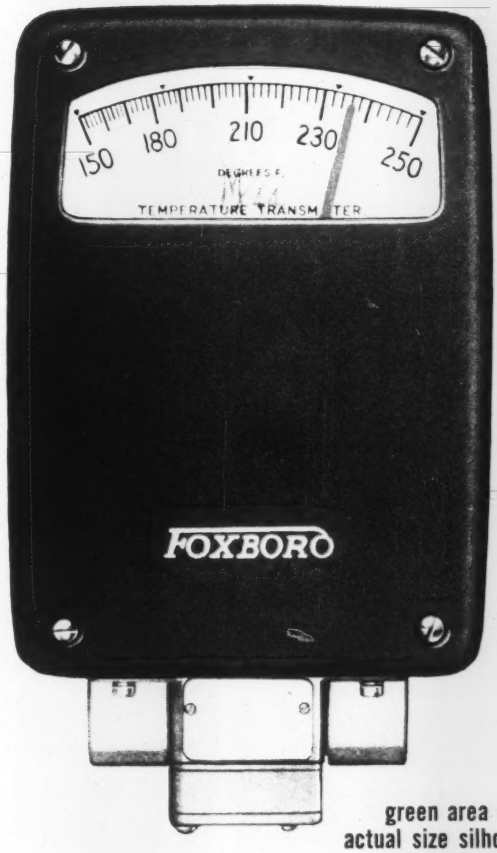

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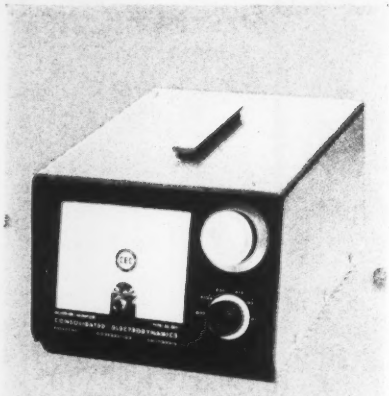

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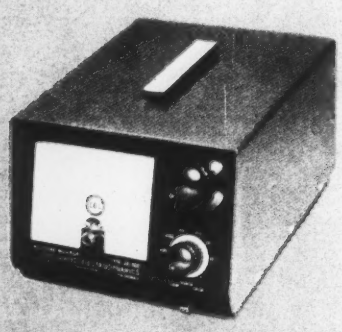

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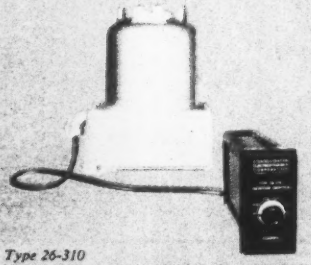

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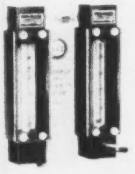

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Needed: *More State Supervisors of Science and Mathematics*

JAMES R. IRVING
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OSCAR RIDDLE, a Florida scientist-teacher, writing in a recent issue of *The American Biology Teacher* notes: "The Sputniks and their forebears have eventually engendered a scrutiny that is marvelously late, and almost sure to remain inadequate, hazy and superficial."

The author was referring cynically to the nation's apparent concern for "immediate improvement" in science education "on all levels" sponsored by many who themselves had but a meager concept of what was really needed.

Even today, despite suggestions of crash programs in science, "sweeping revisions of our curriculum" and the "science centered school," little actually is being done. For example, the nation's state departments of education do not, today, accord science and mathematics instruction the same honor and distinction as the school lunch program, driver training, art, music and physical education. In fact, many state superintendents of public instruction see "no particular" reason for supervisors of science and mathematics throughout their state. These are the facts revealed by a recent SAMA study of 48 state departments of education.

TABLE 1—STATEWIDE SUPERVISION OF SCIENCE

State Departments of Education Having Full-Time Science Supervisor(s)	9	Connecticut Florida Georgia Louisiana New Mexico New York North Carolina Pennsylvania Texas
State Departments of Educating Indicating Appointment of Full-Time Science Supervisor by July 1, 1958	2	Kentucky Minnesota[1]
State Departments of Education Using Consultants in Science, Not on State Department Roster	2	New Hampshire[2] Rhode Island[3]
State Departments of Education Showing No Full-Time Science Supervisor	35	

Based on study completed June 1, 1958.

(1). Authorized to add full-time consultant to staff, but not yet appointed when reply to study was made, February 7, 1958.
(2). Uses services of Project Director for New Hampshire Committee for Mathematics and Science.
(3). Uses consultant services of Science Head of Rhode Island College of Education.

In all, only nine states reported a full-time state department staff member—equipped by academic background and experience—assigned to supervise science instruction (Table 1).

Two states were in the process of making such appointments and two were using the services of outside consultants. In one of these two instances, New Hampshire, the supervisor's salary is paid through a grant from a local charitable foundation.

Thirty-five state departments report no full-time supervisors of science and mathematics education.

The state superintendent of a southwestern state doubts the wisdom of having special subject supervisors. "I believe strongly in stressing a wellrounded education program rather than specific subjects," he states.

A western state's Supervisor of Curriculum explains his particular area is under the supervision of a Director of Secondary Education, assisted by a staff of four supervisors. "All of these supervisors are assigned to their duties as generalists responsible for the entire curriculum, rather than as specialists. The only specialists we have in the Department are in the field of Health and Physical Education where we have a Director and a Supervisor."

Many of the 38 state superintendents of public instruction point out that state legislatures do not see fit to appropriate funds for the purpose.

Dr. Howard A. Meyerhoff, Executive Director, Scientific Manpower commission, calls the present situation in our state departments "discouraging." This authority, representing some ten of the nation's most learned scientific groups, points out his discouragement is not so much over the fact that so few state school systems have science supervisors, but because so many state superintendents of education are not convinced of the need for supervision. "It is tragic," says Meyerhoff, "that, under existing circumstances, we must sell so many of them on the need, and that several of those who do give lip service to it are only half-heartedly supporting their request for the necessary appropriation in their legislatures."

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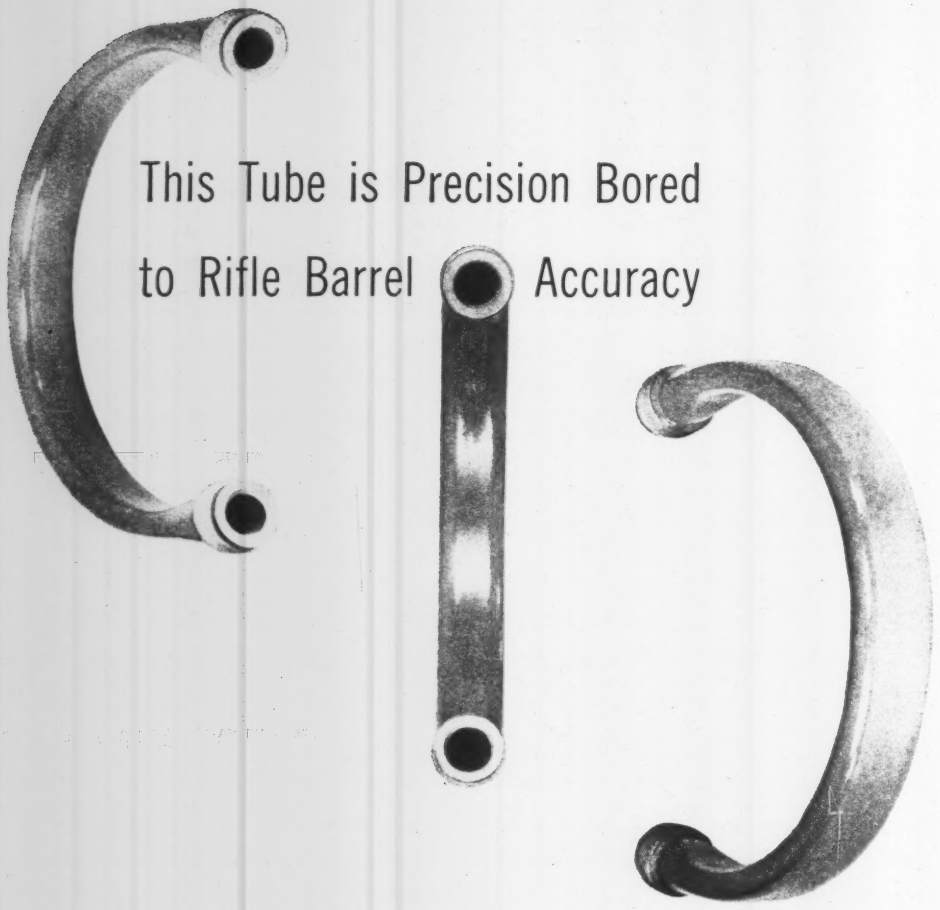

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The Scientific Manpower Commission director succinctly sums up the problem by asking a question: "How do we reverse the present situation in which state superintendents wonder how they can justify the hiring of a state supervisor of science education to one in which they will have to justify the failure to have one?"

One of the basic conclusions reached by the country's first Parliament of Science dealt specifically with science supervisors. The more than 100 American scientists and public leaders meeting in Washington last March under the auspices of the American Association for the Advancement of Science recommended that each state have one or more scientifically qualified science consultants or supervisors in departments of public education or universities.

Functions of a State Supervisor

Their functions would be three-fold: They would represent science and scientists in the formation of educational policy; serve as a liaison between scientists and teachers, and collect and distribute helpful instruction information to teachers. The activities and functions of the Supervisor of Science Education, New York State, are listed in Table 2.

Blough and Carleton have called attention to the country's short supply of qualified science teachers, and lack of incentives to inspire teachers. Reduction of teaching loads, improvement of teaching materials, facilities and laboratories, and more time for science teachers for planning and caring for laboratories were stressed by the NSTA officials as necessary to the building and maintenance of an adequate national program of science education.

Many of these dire and immediate needs may well be met by adequate state supervision, designed to aid and upgrade the classroom science teacher.

Private Action

Throughout the country, various private agencies also have taken it upon themselves to aid the classroom science teacher. One such example of direction, help and inspiration is underway in Connecticut. Starting in December 1955, the Research Corporation, New York, undertook an experiment concerned with the teaching of science at the secondary-school level in the state of Connecticut. While the experiment as originally designed is not yet complete, a report of the project to date provides some information that may be of value to those concerned with plans for the betterment of education.

A 3-year program has been established to learn from science teachers themselves their requirements for improving their teaching activities. Under the experimental plan, a representative visits schools throughout the state, asking each science teacher what he or she needs to teach more effectively. The teacher is encouraged to apply for a Research Corporation grant to satisfy his needs.

Preparation of such a statement requires a certain amount of self-evaluation and considerable analytical thought. Frequently composing the statement sets off a chain reaction.

TABLE 2—ACTIVITIES OF A SUPERVISOR OF SCIENCE EDUCATION

"Generally speaking, the duties of this office are to be classified as catalytic. It is our job to do anything within our power to improve science education within the state. A breakdown of some of these activities follows:

1. Supervise the general program of education and especially the teaching of science in the elementary and secondary schools of the State.
2. Supervise the preparation and rating of Regents examinations and other tests in science.
   - (a) thirteen Regents examinations (five different sciences) per annum
   - (b) nominate outstanding qualified committee members to the examination board
   - (c) arrange meetings and accommodations for committees
   - (d) work with the editor in preparing final copy
   - (e) present examinations to the revisions committee for approval
   - (f) construct items to replace those unsatisfactory to the revision committee and/or the editor
3. Supervise the preparation of the science section of the New York State Scholarship examination, Nurse, Math Engineering and Veterans Scholarship examinations.
   - (a) follow the same procedure as with the Regents examinations
     - (1) item construction much more difficult because of the function of the examination
4. Serve as a curriculum consultant in the preparation of syllabuses, bulletins, and other materials relating to the teaching of science.
5. Represent the Education Department in the field and at teachers' conferences.
6. Serve as consultant to administrators, teachers, architects and division of Building and Grounds regarding science rooms, equipment and materials.
7. Checks and advises on local courses of study in science.
8. Evaluates books and materials in science education.
9. Conducts Surveys.
10. Speaks at local, county, district zone and state teachers conferences.
11. Serves as consultant to other divisions of the State Education Department and to Civil Service.
12. Acts as a resource person for special committees.
13. Serves on committees of state and national science educators organizations.
14. Acts as local representative of the National Science Teachers Association in the presentation of awards.
15. Assists administrators and teachers in placement.
16. Handles a wide variety of requests from the field.
17. Acts as resource person to State Library.
18. Acts as liaison person with professional societies such as the ACS, APS, American Institute of Physics and other scientific and engineering societies.
19. Acts as liaison person with such groups as the Physical Science Study Committee of the NSF, educational activities of the Atomic Energy Commission within our state."

Hugh Templeton
Supervisor of Science Education
The State Education Department
New York

The program moves slowly. The foundation is at present receiving applications which had their origin in the stimuli applied to teachers a year or more ago. However, meanwhile the attention of individuals, groups, and even communities has been brought to bear constructively on what was needed to improve science teaching in a given school or school system.

In the 2 years that the plan has been in operation, total costs, including all fees and expenses, have amounted to a little less than $20,000. Forty-eight grants have been awarded, amounting to about $50,000. It seems reasonably clear even now that the program has had a profound effect in the state of Connecticut.

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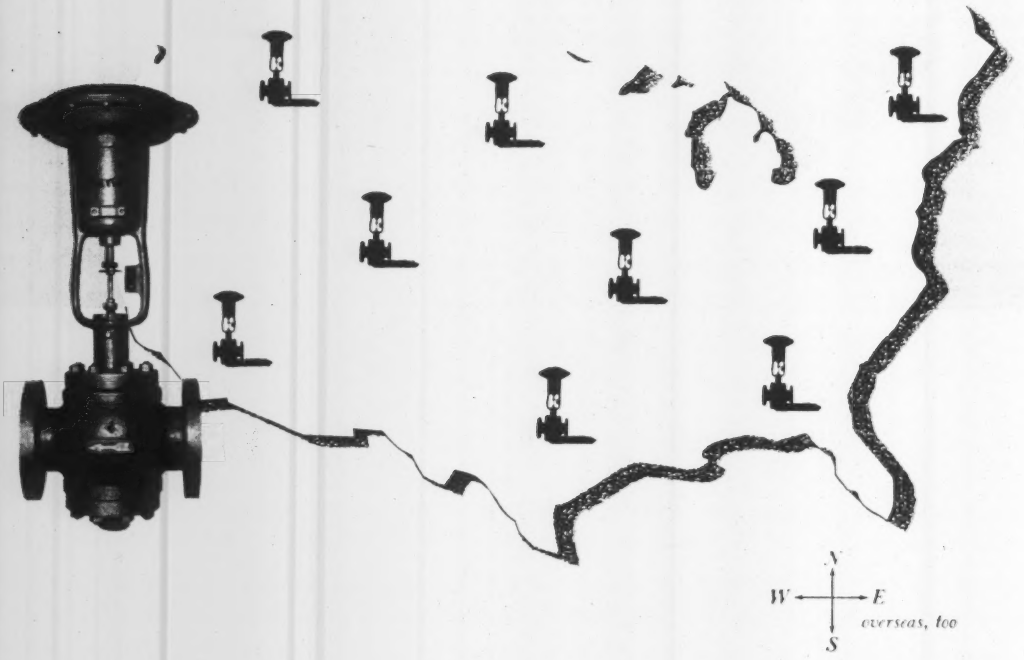

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Such programs, sponsored and directed by the country's state departments of education, could make an inestimable contribution to the quality and stature of American education in general. This is but one possible approach in our efforts to bolster a well-rounded and comprehensive education for the country's young people. With only nine states out of 48 supporting full-time science supervision—and these people many times overworked out of all proportion to their effectiveness—and 35 states not officially paying any particular attention to science and mathematics in a world of technological discovery and progress, even the most placid exponent of greater attention to science must be more than a little disturbed.

"North Carolina is one of the few states which maintain a science and mathematics adviser in the Department of Public Instruction. The position is thought to be of great worth to the schools and school people of the state in the following ways:

(1) Because of the specialized skills and competencies required in science and mathematics, local classroom teachers and supervisors more readily accept suggestions and direction from a person whose primary concern is mathematics and science.

(2) It places the science and mathematics program on a par with other subject areas such as music, home economics, driver education, etc., which have Department supervisors.

(3) It permits of more effective and direct stimulation and suggestions to schools in improving the ideal science and mathematics program and encouraging the use of promising practices employed by dynamic teachers."

Herbert E. Speece
Adviser in Science and Mathematics
Department of Public Instruction
North Carolina

Simple Math Tools

THE COMPUTING FIELD and many activities relating to data handling and computing seem to have bypassed, or possibly not fully appreciated, an important field which we can call Simple Math Tools, or perhaps Graphical Numerical Computers. The jump from basic, manual computations to elegant electronic computers filled a need caused by a lack of manpower. Yet too often today the large, expensive computer is called upon when a more simple device is indicated. An enormous amount of emphasis is being given to gadgets, push buttons, and flickering lights, and too little emphasis to the design and use of basic, fundamental, simple and inexpensive instruments which can perform many of the same functions, if on a smaller scale.

Large, all-purpose computers and data handlers are required in systems where an automatic memory stores large amounts of information which must be recalled in a short time, or where large storage of information is required, or where many of the same numerical points must be re-evaluated or re-used (as in auto-correlation or function computations), or where masses of data must be handled. Here obviously is an enormous field for automatic computers and these large and expensive instruments are found today in most large laboratories and industries.

Yet many engineers in these laboratories and industries envision the day, which they hope will be in the near future, when their responsibility in computations will be merely to push one button. Ideas even have been expressed on the use of thought waves to simplify the process of pushing this button! Such Utopian ideas and the trend away from the most simple approach to each problem are not healthy or conducive to insight and growth.

Many problems can be solved by an engineer with simple graphical-numerical devices, right at his desk. No one should use an automatic digital or analog computer to multiply two numbers together—yet we have seen engineers in computer groups do just that where only the product of a half dozen numerical values were involved—even when standard and inexpensive automatic desk calculators were on their tables!

There are a large number of mathematical operations which simple devices can perform easier, at lower cost, and even faster than can electronic computers. How many really useful, simple tools are on the market? First is the slide rule, which is basically an analog computer to multiply or divide one number by another; this instrument was invented in the 17th century. Another hand tool is the planimeter, designed a century later for the purpose of graphically integrating an area without resorting to a symbolic system as is necessary in trapezoidal integration. To these there has been added a growing list of mathematical tools, including variable scales, equation finders, curve analyzers, slope readers, function generators, integrators, and differential analyzers. These simple instruments can read curves, normalize data, analyze curves to get the equation, obtain differential (slopes) and integrals (areas) and perform many other basic mathematical functions. This issue is devoted to these mathematical tools, which every technical worker should know thoroughly—*before* he tackles the giant computer.

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Any device provided either with a mathematic or a logic unit can be regarded as a computer. However, in practice, the physical realization of complex algorithms representing various manufacturing processes requires complicated computing devices.

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Applications of computer devices for operations research and automatic control of manufacturing processes

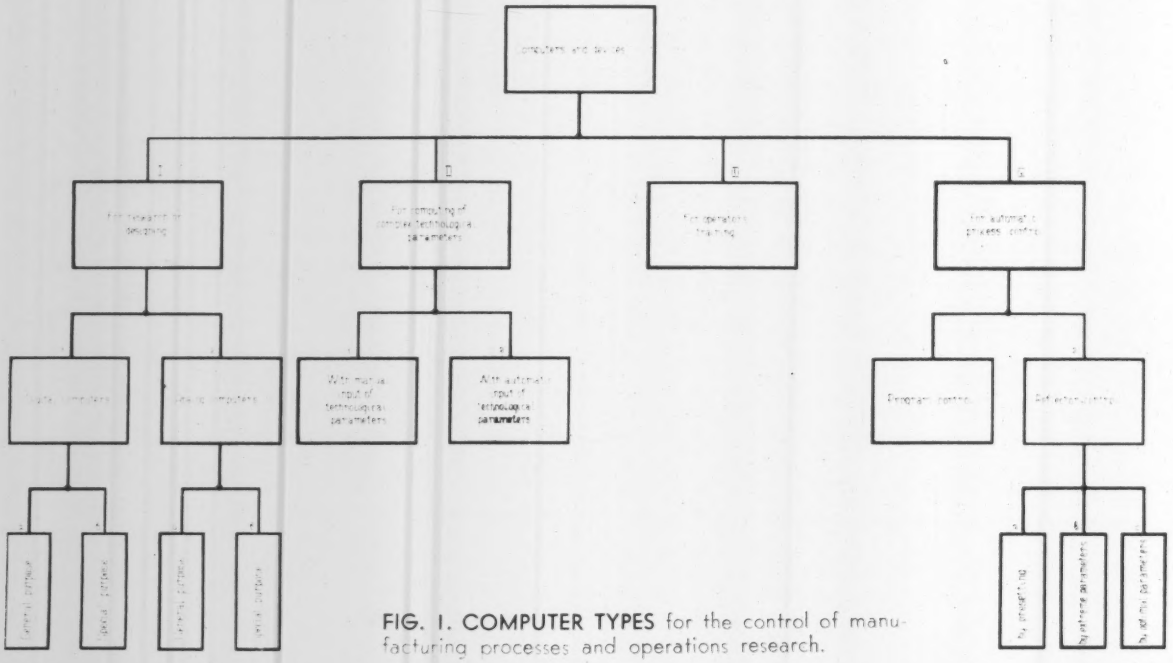

FIG. 1. COMPUTER TYPES for the control of manufacturing processes and operations research.

Manufacturing Processes

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Computer devices can be classified in four main groups (Fig. 1). This report discusses analog computers for research (I-2), computers with manual inputs (II-1), and machines for automatic process control (IV-2).

Group I—Computer Devices for Operations Research and Study of Controllable Processes

Computer devices in this group are used to solve a wide variety of scientific or engineering problems in designing new machinery and units. When high precision of computation is required, digital computers are used—i.e., general-purpose computers of the types "Oural," "M-3," and others; or special-purpose computers, as for example the computer type "Pogoda" (Weather computer). However, the use of large-scale and costly digital computers is mainly restricted either to computing centers or to large scientific and design establishments.

General-purpose analog computers have found broad fields of application in small research laboratories, factories, design offices, high schools, etc. Machines of this class are used widely for designing power plants; for aerial, sea and land transport units; for processing machines and units; for hoisting and industrial transport equipment; in electrical and radio engineering; in construction engineering; in hydraulic engineering, etc. The scope of application of such machines extends also to the field of research in physical and biological phenomena.

In the USSR several types of analog machines are manufactured serially. In addition to the great-scale analog computer Type MN-8 (*MH*-8) designed for solving complex nonlinear ordinary differential equations, several other types of portable small-scale computers are being manufactured, including types MN-7, MN-M, and others. Data on these machines have been published in the technical literature.

The MN-10 Computer

The modern trend in such computer devices is towards higher precision, more logic in the operation control circuit, and wider application of semiconductors not only for nonlinear functional units but also for operational amplifiers and their supplies. The circuits of the first industrial models of computer devices were constructed with radio tubes, but at present, in the USSR, there exists a small-scale nonlinear analog computer type MN-10 (Fig. 2) with a circuit composed of 653 standard semiconductor diodes and triodes. This computer has 24 operational amplifiers and can be used to solve nonlinear ordinary differential equations up to the 6th order, the computer being fed from a 220-volt 50-cps 100-watt supply. The weight of the MN-10 computer is approximately 35 kg, and the area required for its installation on a desk is 0.3 m^2. The computer solves problems with an accuracy not inferior to that of computers using radio tubes.

It should be noted, however, that the logic in the control circuit of the MN-10 computer is developed to a lesser extent than other computers of the same class in which there is possibility of a simultaneous automatic switching-over of some circuits—as, for instance, when equality of two variables is obtained, or one of the variables reaches a predetermined value.

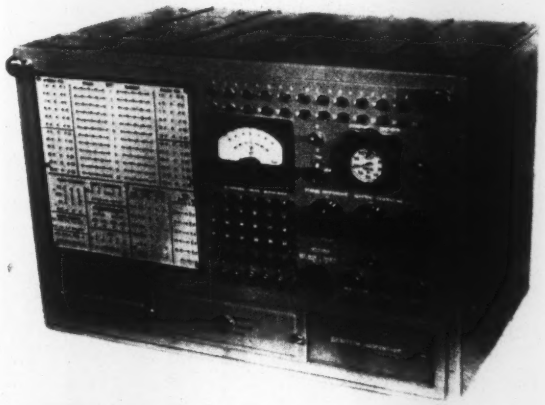


FIG. 2. COMPUTER type MN-10 (MH-10).

Computer MN-11

The highest class of logic improvement in control circuitry will exist in the new nonlinear analog computer type MN-11, in which the preset solution will be automatically obtained by methods of scanning or minimization.

The aforementioned general-purpose analog computers are designed for solving a great variety of problems in different branches of science and techniques, from aviation and mechanical engineering to chemistry and biology, described by linear or nonlinear ordinary differential equations.

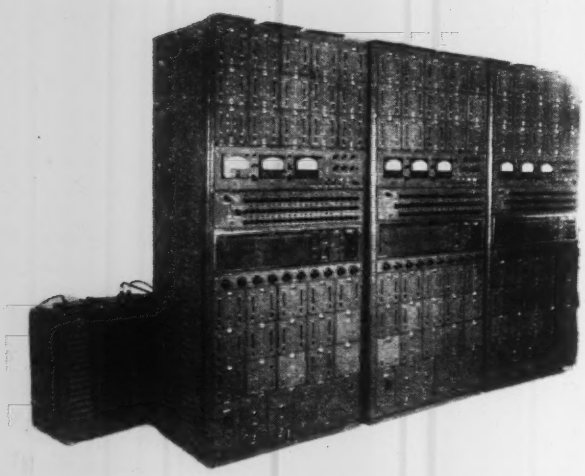


FIG. 3. SPECIAL-PURPOSE electronic simulator type MN-12 (MH-12).

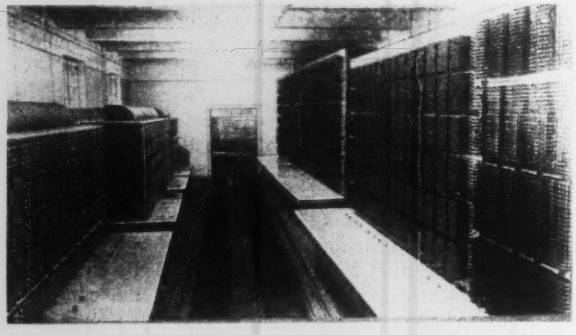


FIG. 4. LARGE-SCALE special-purpose electric network simulator type ZI-S, designed for underground hydraulics problems.

Special-Purpose Analog Computers

In addition to the general-purpose analog computers (Group 1-2-a) there are special-purpose analogs (Groups 1-2-b) such as electric simulators of atomic power systems, power lines, electrical and radio apparatus, engines, rolling mills, metal working machines, chemical reaction vessels and systems, hydrosystems, transport means, and even biological systems.

Type MN-12

The nonlinear electronic simulator type MN-12 (Fig. 3) is an example of a special-purpose analog computer designed for studying the dynamics of a continuous three-high cold rolling mill. This simulator represents phenomena taking place in the main drives of the stands of automatically controlled rolling mills during the rolling process. Account is taken of the peculiar conditions of reduction in gage at each stand, and the tension between the stands during the process.

The cycle of threading speed to running speed, back to threading speed, and stoppage of the rolling mill is also simulated by the MN-12. The simulator comprises three similar analog sections; the number of sections may vary to suit the number of the rolling-mill stands.

Each section comprises 10 integrators, 20 summers, 12 invertors, 2 generators of functions of time, 4 multipliers, 6 generators of different transfer characteristics, 1 unit of variable time delay, 1 generator of saturation and of hyperbolic curves, and 2 function generators of one variable (that may be also used for obtaining nonlinear characteristics of servomechanisms). The separate units of the MH-12 are designed on the same principles as those of general-purpose analog computers.

Network Analogs

In the second important class of analog computers may be placed electric simulators designed for studying systems described by differential equations in partial derivatives. Special-purpose machines in this class are serially produced in the USSR including the small-scale electric-network analogs model ZI-12 for 143 nodes.

Within the network class, and of greater importance, are the special-purpose electric network analogs, the largest of which is the unique analog model ZI-S, specially designed for the investigation of underground hydraulics problems connected with an efficient exploitation of oil fields (Fig. 4). This analog is used in the All-Union Scientific Research Oil-Gas Institute under the guidance of Prof. Belash. It solves problems in the design and exploitation of large oil fields (with a radius up to 120 km) with oil zones of different configuration, or of groups of oil fields connected by hydrodynamic bonds.

These problems may concern oil zones in steady state (at water pressure) or unsteady state (elastic) and are described by equations of Laplace:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left[A_1\,(x,y)\,\frac{\partial P}{\partial x}\right]+\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left[A_2\,(x,y)\,\frac{\partial P}{\partial y}\right]=0$$

and Fourier:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left[A_1\,(x,y)\,\frac{\partial P}{\partial x}\right]+\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left[A_2\,(x,y)\,\frac{\partial P}{\partial y}\right]=A\,(x,y)\,\frac{\partial P}{\partial t}$$

at boundary conditions of the I and II kind, constant or variable in time, and with zero (or differing from zero) initial conditions. In the equations, P = pressure inside the layers; x, y = coordinates; A_1, A_2, etc. = conductivities.

The boundaries of the problems solved by the ZI-C computer may have different configuration, and the boundary conditions are set for both the exterior and the interior contours of the boundary. Considering that more than 30,000 parameters must be simultaneously stored for solving such problems, the applica-

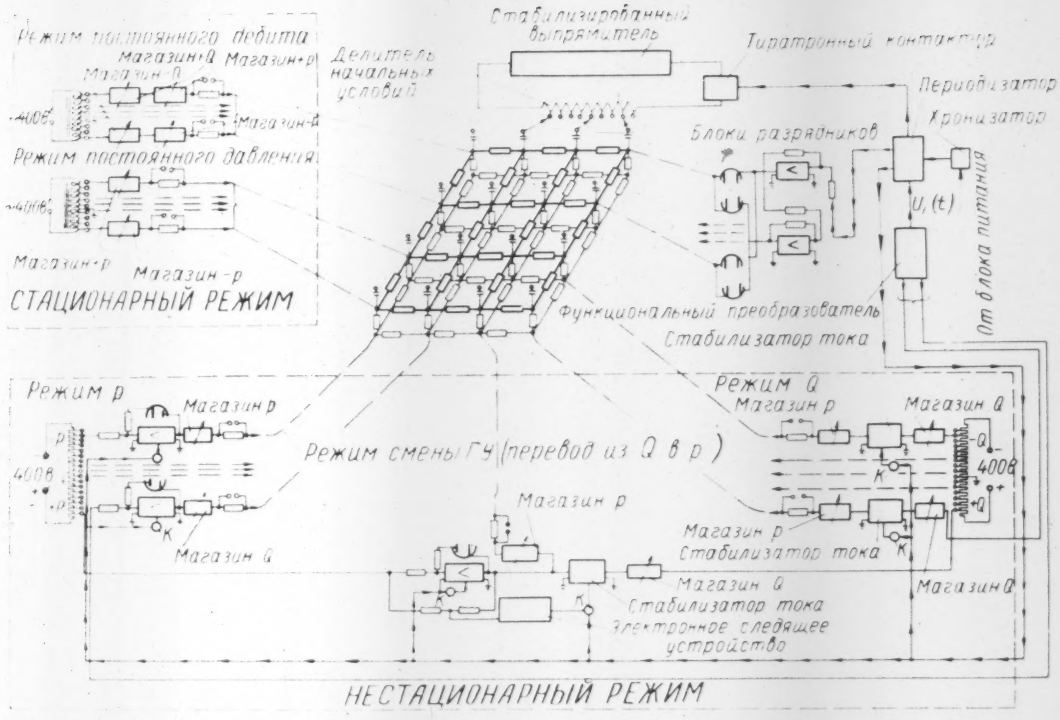


FIG. 5. BLOCK DIAGRAM of the computer type ZI-S. Block at upper left shows "steady state regime"; block at bottom shows "unsteady state regime."

tion of general-purpose digital computers has met with difficulties. This has stimulated the construction of the analog-computer type ZI-S, designed in the form of a three-dimensional network composed of active resistors and capacitors. The block-diagram of the ZI-S computer (Fig. 5) illustrates the main principles of commutation for simulation at steady and unsteady states.

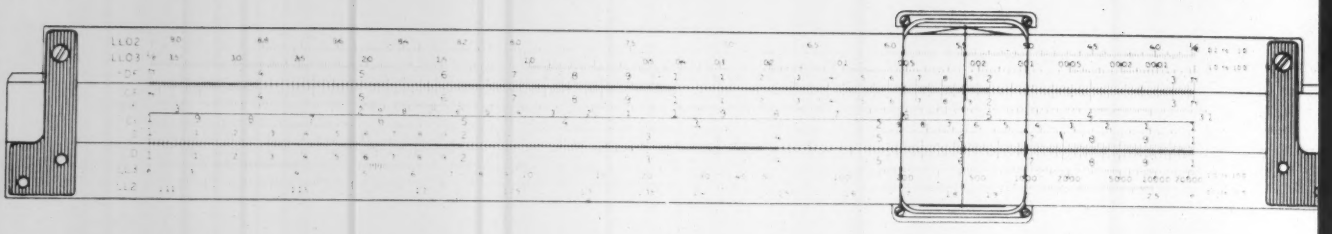
The investigated boundary of the problem is simulated by a network of active resistors with approximately 20,000 nodes. The network is divided into three zones. The spacing in the exterior zone is four times as great as in the middle zone, and eight times as great as in the central zone network. The central (interior) zone of the network usually simulates the oil zones; the middle and exterior ones simulate the adjacent water-bearing strata. The elastic capacity of the zone is simulated by means of capacitors connected to the network nodes.

The computer allows the setting of first and second kind (pressure and yield) boundary conditions over 750 channels (500 with positive and 250 with negative sign). In the course of solving a problem, each boundary condition can be automatically switched on or off in accordance with the time diagram. When the function sought for reaches the preset value the boundary conditions also may be switched over from the second kind (yield) to the first kind (pressure) according to the program; 50 boundary conditions can be variable in time. Thus, simultaneously, the operation of 750 oil wells under different conditions can be simulated.

For simulation of unsteady-state problems described by the Fourier equation, the solution is periodically reproduced at a frequency of 4-8 cycles and is displayed, in the form of curves, on the screen of an electronic indicator.

For simulation of steady-state problems the solution (voltage at nodes) is automatically indicated. The computer is to be equipped with an auxiliary automatic plotter of isometric lines. The ZI-S computer has a maximum power consumption of about 60 kw and is constructed with approximately 8,000 radio tubes. The area required for its installation is from 150 to 200 m². It is serviced by 6 or 8 operators. The computer allows easy modification of the problem conditions and, owing to rapidity of action, makes it possible to closely observe the changes occurring in the solution of the problem. This is essential in determining the optimal number and disposition of oil wells and their mode of operation. Simulation leads, as a rule, to a reduction of the total number of active and injection oil wells and, consequently, to smaller investments. An increase of the total oil production from the oil fields at the expense of nondrained areas may be from 5 to 7%, and the determination of optimum conditions for flooding beyond the outline (contour) brings about a considerable saving in exploitation costs and increases the yield of operating oil wells.

Next month: This survey continues with computers for process parameters, training of process operators, and automatic process control.



SLIDE RULES

The slide rule is still the basic mathematical tool for the average engineer. Knowledge of each scale permits the flexibility of the rule to be put to best advantage—with practice.

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THE SLIDE RULE is a mathematical tool for performing many arithmetic and trigonometric computations rapidly. With a good 10" rule, accuracy of 0.1% is attainable.

To the base 10, the logarithms of the numbers 1 to 10 are as follows:

log 1 = 0.00000	log 6 = 0.77815
log 2 = 0.30103	log 7 = 0.84510
log 3 = 0.47712	log 8 = 0.90309
log 4 = 0.60206	log 9 = 0.95424
log 5 = 0.69897	log 10 = 1.00000

The L, C and D Scales

If a 10" rule is marked off in the same ratio as these numbers (that is, the left or 0" edge marked 1; the 3.01" point marked 2; the 4.77" point marked 3; etc.) we have the L and D scales of a slide rule (Fig. 1).

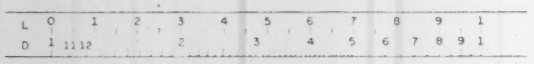


FIG. 1. The L and D scales.

The L scale gives the *logarithm* of any number on the D scale; the D scale is a scale whose *distances* represent the logarithms of the numbers on it.

In order to multiply two numbers expressed logarithmically, it is only necessary to add their logarithms. The result is the product expressed logarithmically. Similarly, division is a subtraction process.

By using two scales marked like the D scale, the logarithms (distances) are easily added or subtracted. The result (another distance) gives the product or quotient. The second D scale is called a C scale. The C and D scales are the basic multiplication and division scales. To multiply, the index of the C scale is placed over the number to be multiplied; the reading is taken from the D scale; to divide, the numerator (on the D scale) is located under the denominator (on the C scale). It is easily seen that distances are subtracted by this process.

Inverted Scales

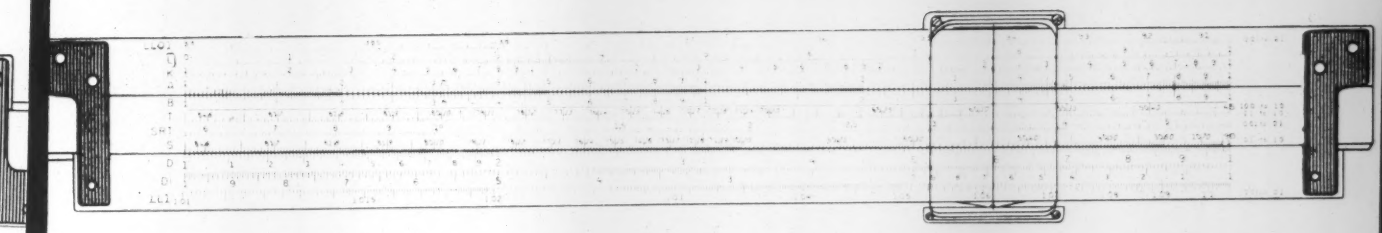
An inverted C scale (CI scale) is simply a C scale with markings that progress from right to left rather than from left to right. It will be seen from a rule that to add distances on the CI scale to those on the D scale (that is, to multiply) the two numbers to be multiplied must be placed one on top of the other (as was done for division when using the C and D scales). Similarly, division is done via the CI scale by using the "multiplication" technique of the C and D scale.

The reason for this is found when it is desired to divide a given number by several other numbers. By setting the index of the CI scale on the given number, division by any number involves only a motion of the slider without any motion of the CI scale.

Folded Scales

The CF and DF scales are "folded" scales. That is, they are C and D scales with the index located approximately at the center of the rule rather than at the edge. As the pi point is approximately one half of the total rule distance, this point is chosen as the place to "fold" the C and D scales for a reason which will be obvious in a moment.

Since the C and D scales are exactly like the CF and DF scales, the ratio between any two numbers on the former (a C number located over a D number) is the same not only elsewhere on the C and D scales but also anywhere on the CF-DF scales. This means



that answers found on the D scale also can be found on the DF scale. As the DF scale is folded, if the number sought on the D scale falls outside the scale, it will be found on the DF scale without resetting the sliding scale. For example, to multiply 2×6, if the left index of the C scale is set on the 2, the result cannot be found on the D scale, but it will be found above CF-6 on the DF scale.

Thus when the answer to a multiplication problem falls outside the D scale when using the C-D scales, find the answer on the DF scale.

Note that pi on the DF scale is above the index of the D scale. Similarly, every number on the DF scale is pi times the corresponding number on the D scale. The DF scale yields the pi product automatically. Note that the same is true of the CF and C scales; any number on the former is pi times the corresponding number on the C scale.

Reciprocals

The CI and CIF scales are inverted (reversed) C and CF scales. Thus any number on the CI scale is the reciprocal of any number on the C scale and vice versa. The CIF scale shows the reciprocals of the CF scale, and vice versa.

Squares and Square Roots

The A scale carries the square of numbers on the D scale. (Similarly the B scale carries the squares of numbers on the C scale.) We can square numbers by moving from D to A, and find square root by going from A to D, under the hairline. Similarly the B scale is the square of the C scale.

If the A or B scales are used during the course of multiplying and dividing in a fraction series, caution is needed lest the operator square the entire fraction rather than the number specified. In the problem $(85)(61)^2/300$, the hairline is set on 85 on the D scale and the slider is moved to bring up 3 on the C scale into coincidence. Then, if the hairline is moved to 61 on the C scale and the rule is turned to read from the hairline on the B scale, the operator has made a plausible mistake; instead of the given problem he has found $(85 \times 61)^2/300$.

Let us see how to avoid this pitfall. For simple problems, like the one given, first square the term (61), then perform the rest of the calculation on the A and B scales.

Table I—Basic Slide-Rule Scales

SCALE	DESCRIPTION	BASIC USES
L	Log scale.	Gives logarithm to base 10 of any number on C or D scale.
C, D	Basic scale in which distances represent logarithms of number on scale.	Multiplication and division; D also gives log. of numbers on LL scale. Used with most other scales.
CF, DF	Folded scales. Same as C and D except index (starting point) is near center of rule. Pi is chosen as place of fold.	Same uses as C and D scale. When answer is "off" scale when using C and D, answer can be found on CF and DF. Also, any number on CF is pi times C; any number on DF if pi times D.
CI, DI, CIF	Inverted (right-to-left) C, D, or CF scale.	CI gives reciprocal of any number on C directly; CIF does same for CF numbers; DI does same for D numbers.
A, B	Square scale.	A contains square of any number on D; B contains square of any number on C.
K	Cube scale.	K contains cube of any number on C (or C contains cube root of number on K).
LL1, LL2, LL3	Log log scales giving e^n where n is between 0.01 and 0.1 (LL1), between 0.1 and 1.0 (LL2) and between 1.0 and 10.0 (LL3).	Gives e^n directly where n is any number on D scale. Used with C scale to find any number raised to any power.
LL01, LL02, LL03	Reciprocals of LL scales.	Gives e^{-n} where n is a number on D scale. Used with C scale to give any number raised to any negative power.
S	Sines and cosines of angles.	C or D scale gives sine of angles marked in black on S scale; C or D scale shows cosine of red angles on S scale.
ST	Expanded S scale for small angles (less than 5.7°).	Same as S except sines values are between 0.01 and 0.1. Also gives cosines of large angles.
T	Tangent scale.	D or C scales give tangents of angles marked in black on T scale; DI or CI scale gives tangents for angles marked in red.
Sh	Hyperbolic sine.	D or C gives sinh of any number on Sh scale.
Th	Hyperbolic Tangent.	D or C gives tanh of any number on Th scale.

FIG. 3. Flow slide rule. (Courtesy The Foxboro Co.)

The A and B scales have two identical halves. It is important to use the correct half when finding square roots from the A or B scale to the D or C scale. If the original number is between 1 and 10, start from the left half; if it is between 10 and 100, start from the right half. For other numbers, move the decimal point an even number of places to get the number between 1 and 100, then select the scale half by the above rule. When the answer is found, return the decimal point, but only half the number of places it was moved originally.

Cubes and Cube Roots

The K scale is the cube of the D scale. There should be no difficulty in cubing from D to K, but the operator must start from the *correct* one of the three parts of the K scale when finding cube roots. Use the left part for numbers from 1 to 10; use the center section for numbers from 10 to 100; use the right part for numbers from 100 to 1000. For other numbers, move the decimal point in multiples of three places to get it between 1 and 1000. Select the proper part of the K scale, find the answer, and return the decimal point one place for every three it was moved originally.

Logarithms

The L scale gives logarithms (the mantissa only) to the base 10 of numbers on the D scale; the D scale is the antilog of the L scale.

Log Log Scales

The *log log scales* are scales giving e^n, where e is the base of natural logarithms, and n is any given number on the D scale. The LL3 scale gives e^n for n between 1 and 10; the LL2 scale gives e^n for n between 0.1 and 1.0; LL1 scale gives e^n for n between 0.01 and 0.1. Note that this represents a range of numbers from 1.01 to above 20,000.

These valuable scales permit rapid finding of any number raised to any power, including fractional and non-integer powers.

For example, $5.5^{1.4}$ power is found simply by use of LL3 and C scale. Setting index of C scale on LL3 5.5, the answer (12.85) is read from the LL3 scale under 1.4 on the C scale. Of course the CF scale can be used instead of the C scale, as has been described previously.

The LL1, LL2 and LL3 scales are usually accompanied with scales marked LL01, LL02, and LL03. The LL0 scales are simply reciprocals of the corresponding LL scales—that is, the LL01 is the reciprocal of the LL1, etc.

These scales can be used to find reciprocals. Also, they give e^{-n} directly because the LL scales are scales of e^n (remembering that n is any number on the D scale).

It is obvious that the D scale gives logarithm (to the base e) of any number on the LL scale.

Practice is essential for efficient use of these scales; and attention must be paid to proper location of the decimal point in all slide-rule calculations.

Functions of Angles

The S, ST and T scales are marked in angles. To find the sine of an angle, set the hairline over the angle using the black marks on the S scale. The sine is on the D scale.

When the angles marked in red are used, the D scale shows the cosine.

The ST scale expands readings across the rule for small angles (0.57° to 5.74°). The sine values are from 0.01 to 0.1; *this must be remembered* when placing the decimal point when starting from the ST scale.

Cosines of large angles are found by converting cos A = sin (90° − A) and using the ST scale to find the sine of the small angle.

Use the T (tangent) scale to find tangents of angles. The T scale runs from 5.7° up to 45° in black, then returns in red for angles from 45° to 84°. Therefore, for angles up to 45°, use the angles marked in black and read the tangent number on the D scale. for angles over 45°, find the angle in red on the T scale and the tangent on the D1 (or C1) scale. Cotangents are found by equating cot A = 1/tan A, or cot A = tan (90° − A) first, and then working with the T scale.

The T scale is not useful for finding tangents less than 0.1 (angles less than 5.71°), or for tangents greater than 10 (angles greater than 84.29°). It can be shown that the tangent for these very small and very large angles equals the sine to a good first approximation.

Special Slide Rules

Rules are available with many other scales tailored to specific uses, as in quality control, where certain mathematical functions are used consistently. Many of these various rules can be applied in allied fields.

One useful slide-rule configuration is the circular slide rule in which all the conventional scales are arranged circumferentially around a disc, rather than lengthwise. The basic advantage of this construction is that the rider and answer point can never be "off scale," as can happen in a conventional slide rule.

Many special slide rules are available with scales that give number of concrete blocks for a given wall size and height; percent profit for any given cost and selling price; pump size for given head, capacity and friction losses; heating and air-conditioning BTU's required for various room sizes, constructions, and temperatures; cubic yards of concrete versus various volumes; and many, many more. Fig. 3 shows a *flow slide rule* for calculating rate of flow and differentials across orifices, and for calculating orifice bores, venturi throats, etc.

Use of the Slide Rule

Proper use of the slide rule requires practice with typical problems. Decimal points must be considered carefully.

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PROBLEMS on the slide rule can include working with the number, with logarithms to the base 10 (logs) or logarithms to the base e (ln's). Note: a logarithm to the base e (ln) is 2.3 times the log to the base 10.

Multiplication and Division

The principle involved in multiplication is the addition of the logarithmic distances of the numbers to be multiplied. Division is the subtraction of these logarithmic distances. Applying the above principles to the simple problem of 2 x 2 we set the 1 index (origin) of the C scale over 2 on the D scale, i.e. 30.1% of the length of the D scale. Now move the rider (hairline) down to 2 on the C scale, which is also 30.1% of the length of this scale. We have now traversed a total of 60.2% of the length of the D scale. We have added logarithms, effectively, and read 4 on the D scale. Let us apply these principles (unconsciously) to a more general problem, finding the answer for 15 x 2.5 x 173.

Place the C index over 15 on the D scale. Move the rider hairline to 25 on the C scale, then move the slide so the C index is under the hairline. Finally move the rider to 173 on the C scale. We have added logarithmically calibrated lengths. The answer is 6435, read on the D scale. As 15 x 2.5 is roughly 40, and 40 times 200 is about 8000, the decimal point is after the fourth digit.

Divide 530 by 73 (the answer is about 7 by inspection). Place the rider over 530 on the D scale and push the scale so that 63 on the C scale also is under the hairline. The answer is under the 10 index on the C scale. Note that we have subtracted logarithmic lengths. The answer is 7.44.

We will add and subtract logarithmic lengths to solve the following:

$$\frac{\underset{623}{a} \times \underset{5970}{b} \times \underset{39856}{c} \times \underset{139.2}{d} \times \underset{7586}{e}}{\underset{4283}{f} \times \underset{2756}{g} \times \underset{492}{h} \times \underset{58475}{i}}$$

One must first perform a quick cancellation in order to find the magnitude of the answer. Proceeding from left to right, a will go into f 7 times, 7 into b 800 times, 800 into g 3 times, 3 into c 13000 times, h into 13000 26 times, 26 into i 2000 times, 2000 into e 3 times, and 3 times d = 400 approximately.

Set the hairline at 623 on the D scale, move the slide so that 4283 on the C scale is over it, move the rider to 5970 on C, pull the slide to 2756, move the rider to 139.2, push the slide to 492, move the rider to 39856, move the slide to 58475, move the rider to 7586. The answer is on the D scale = 461.

In multiplication and division the manual operations can be shortened by using the CF and DF scales in conjunction with the C and D scales. The numbers on the CF and DF scales are simply pi times the numbers on the C and D scales; the 1 index is in the middle of the ruler on these two scales.

In the problem 325 x 11 x 4/430 x 25, set 325 on the D scale, divide it by 430 using the C scale. The number 11 is not in an operating position on the C scale so we move the rider to 11 on the CF scale. Then move the slide so 25 on the CF scale is under the hairline. Then move the rider to 4 on the *C scale*, because 4 is not in an operating position on the CF scale and we must return to the D scale for our final reading. The answer is 1.33.

Practice problems:

$$\frac{425 \times 932 \times 756 \times 319 \times 126 \times 82}{139 \times 557 \times 639 \times 247 \times 345} = 246.7$$

$$\frac{835 \times 119 \times 490 \times 129 \times 95 \times 215}{36 \times 290 \times 52 \times 678 \times 473 \times 75} = 9.82$$

Logarithms

We shall discuss the base 10 system first. In taking the log of any number, reduce the number to the *standard state*, i.e. one digit times a power of ten. Thus 0.000,592.3 $= 5.92 \times 10^{-4}$; $2.838 = 2.84 \times 10^{0}$; 8.548,000,000 is 8.55×10^{9}. The log of 10^{x} is x. Now set the number on the D scale and its log is read directly on the log (L)

scale. Add this to x (plus or minus) and you have the answer.

Examples:

1) $\log 5{,}743{,}000{,}000 = \log 5.74 \times 10^{9}$
$= 0.759 + 9 = 9.759$

2) $\log 0{,}000{,}003{,}472 = \log 8.47 \times 10^{-6}$
$= 0.928 + (-6) = -5.072$

3) $\log 4852 = \log 4.85 \times 10^{3} = 0.686 + 3 = 3.686$

To take antilogarithms, use the reverse procedure. Set the positive mantissa on the log scale and find the number on the D (or C) scale.

$\log x = 5.48$, find x

Set 0.48 on the *log* (L) scale. Read 3.02 on the D scale. Therefore x is 3.02×10^{5}.

$\log x = -4.76$, find x

$\log x = -4.76 = 0.24 + (-5)$

Set 0.24 on log scale. Read 1.74 on D scale. Therefore x is 1.74×10^{-5}.

Natural Logarithms

Operate from the LL scales (LL1, LL2, LL3, LL01, LL02, LL03) toward the D scale. The decimal point is either marked at the right-hand end of the appropriate LL scale or it can be easily figured out from noting that the answer must be between 1 and 10 on the LL3 scale (that is, the scale carries e^{1} to e^{10}). From this fact it is seen that the answer must be between 0.1 and 1.0 when using the LL2 scale; between 0.01 and 0.1 when using the LL1 scale; between -1.0 and -10.0 when using the LL03 scale; between -0.1 and -1.0 when using the LL02 scale; between -0.01 and -0.1 when using the LL01 scale.

However, from the LL scales, it can be seen that the ln of numbers only above 1.01 and less than 0.990 are given directly. Hence the following rule must be remembered to cover numbers not on the LL scales:

The ln of any number between 1.001 and 1.01 (or between 0.999 and 0.990) is found by subtracting 1 from that number.

Example: ln 1.0015 is 0.0015; ln 0.9985 is -0.0015; ln 0.9956 is -0.0044

To find the ln of any number greater than 10,000 first reduce the number to a standard number—i.e., 289,000,000,000 is 2.89×10^{11}. The ln of 2.89 is 1.06 and the ln of 10^{11} is 2.3 x 11 or 25.3. Therefore the answer is 26.36.

To find the ln of any decimal smaller than 0.001, for example 0.000,000,856: Write the decimal as 8.56×10^{-7}. As explained, the ln of 8.56 is +2.148 and the ln of 10^{-7} is $(2.3)(-7)$ or -16.1. Therefore the ln is -13.952.

Antilogarithms, Base e

The antilogarithm is found by the reverse procedure:

Find x when $\ln x = -39.28$.

$39.28/2.3 = 17.08 = 0.92 + (-18.0)$.

The antilogarithm (base 10) of -18 is 10^{-18}.

The antilogarithm (base 10) of +0.92 is 8.3

Therefore, $x = 8.3 \times 10^{-18}$

Example 2: Find x if $\ln x = -8.56$.

Set 8.56 on D; x (on LL03) = 0.000192

Example 3: Find x if $\ln x = 5.92$.

Set 5.92 on D, x (on LL3) = 374

Example 4: Find T if $\ln (T/300) = -0.35$.

$T/300 = 0.705$

$T = 211.5$

Powers and Roots

Powers and roots of numbers can be taken by multiplying the logarithm of the number by the power (or dividing by the root) then finding the antilogarithm. One can go to either the base 10 log using L and C scales, or natural log (ln) using LL and D scales, as follows:

Example 1: $(2.87)^{2}$

$\ln 2.87 = 1.05$ (from LL3 and D)

$1.05 \times 2 = 2.1$

antiln 2.1 = 8.2 (from D and LL3)

Example 2: $(187)^{5.6}$

$\ln 187 = 5.22$ (from LL3 and D)

$5.6 \times 5.22 = 29.3$

Antiln 29.3 = antilog 12.72, or (0.72 + 12)

$= 5.25 \times 10^{12}$ (from L and C)

Example 3: Find 3.5th root of 42, or $42^{1/3.5}$

$\ln 42 = 3.74$ (from LL3 and D)

$3.74/3.5 = 1.07$

antiln of 1.07 = 2.9 (from D and LL3)

A second and more rapid technique for raising a number to any power is to use the LL and C scales. Let us do example 3 above, or $(42)^{1/3.5}$:

Set 42 on LL3 scale. Place C 3.5 over it; move rider to index on C; read answer 2.9 on LL3.

To do example 1—2.87^{2}—by this technique:

Set 2.87 on LL3; set C index over 2.87 on LL3; move rider to C 2; read answer 8.2 on LL3.

The answer to $5^{-2.3}$ is read on LL03 scale, or 0.0152.

The number $e^{3.25}$ is simply another number raised to a power. Since e is under the 1 index of D, set the rider at 3.25 on D scale, answer is 25.8; $e^{3.25} = 1.384$ on scale LL2; $e^{0.0325} = 1.033$, see scale LL1; $e^{0.000325} = 0.0325$; $e^{-3.25} = 0.0388$; $e^{-325} = .722$, see LL02 scale; $e^{-0.0325} = 0.968$; $e^{-.00325} = 0.99675$.

Trigonometric Functions

Angles are set on scales T, ST, and S, and the trigonometric function read on the D (or Trig) scale. As the sine and tangent of all angles up to 5.7° are practically the same, set the angle on the ST scale and read the answer on the Trig scale, pointing off as 0.01 to 0.1.

Sine of 2.5° is 0.0436 and the tan is 0.0436. The sine of 11.9° is 0.206. The tangent of 16.4° is 0.294; the tan of 20° is 0.364.

The tangents of angles greater than 45° are read on the CI scale. Thus tangent of 75° is 3.74 and of 83° is 8.15 and of 88.5° is 38.2.

In order to find the cosine of an angle set the angle on the S scale reading from right to left. Thus cosine 15° = 0.966; cosine 40° = 0.766; cosine 65° = 0.423.

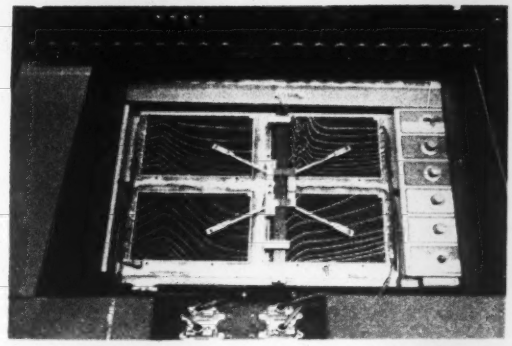

FIG. 1. PLOTTING TABLE with four pickups in place.

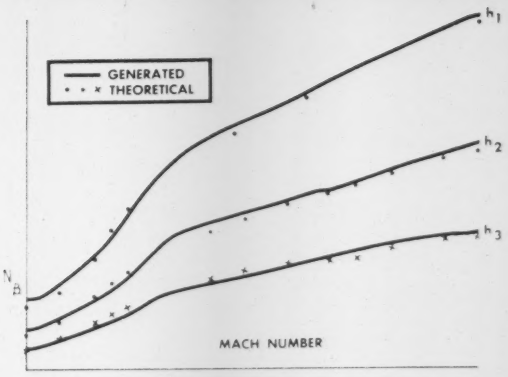

FIG. 2. COMPARISON of generated and theoretical values.

Multi-Variable Function Generator

Input to this function generator consists of three arbitrary variables. Output is the product of one of the three multiplied by an arbitrary function of the other two. Primary advantage is the ability to represent exactly complex functions of two variables and carry out a multiplication by a third variable.

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GENERATION of functions of two variables is one of the many problems involved in simulating a complex dynamic system such as an aircraft.

This special bi-variable function generator* generates any arbitrary single-valued function of two variables without recourse to straight-line approximations and requires only moderate setup and checkout time.

Function Generator

The device operates on the principle that an electric field can be set up in a semiconductive medium if a potential difference is maintained across the medium.

The semiconductive surface is coated on plastic and must (1) have a resistivity between 20,000 and 50,000 ohms per square inch, (2) be uniform, (3) be hard and smooth, and (4) be electrically stable so that its properties are not dependent on temperature and time.

If we are given any arbitrary function, $Z = f(x, y)$, we can determine the curves $y = g(x)$ for which Z is a constant. A number of these curves are found for various values of Z and these curves are painted in silver on the surface of the semiconductive medium (Fig. 1). A voltage representing the values of the function is impressed on each line by a voltage dividing network.

The voltage at any point on a line is equal to the value of the function for that particular x and y. A voltage gradient is maintained through the semiconducting medium between two lines of unequal voltage. Thus the surface acts as an interpolative device just as though an infinite number of lines of constant (Z) value were painted on it.

The accuracy of the interpolation depends on the shape of the lines and the space between them. Fig. 2 shows the actual and theoretical values of $Z = f(x, y_n)$ where Z is a stability derivative, x is Mach number, and the y_n's are various constant altitudes. The constant-Z lines in Fig. 2 are not the painted lines, but lines of constant voltage on the semiconductive surface between the painted lines.

A variable voltage u can be impressed on the voltage divider that supplies the Z voltages to the painted lines. The voltage ratio between each pair of lines will remain constant, so driving the divider with a variable voltage will allow a multiplication to be performed on the plate—i.e., the voltage at any point on the plate will now be uZ or $uf(x, y)$. This is one of the main advantages of this device because the terms of the equation of motion are of the form $uf(x, y)$. (Z is taken as a function of Mach number and altitude, and u is one of the airframe variables, such as pitch rate, angle of attack, roll acceleration.)

The voltage at any place on the plate can be read off by a pickup on the plate; the pickup is positioned by voltages corresponding to the variables x and y.

The function generator is capable of generating 40 arbitrary single-valued functions of two variables. It will accept up to 10 different pairs of variables. The plotting table upon which the conductive surfaces are placed is a modified Electronics Associates Model 1100D Variplotter. The table will accept either a 15″ x 17″ plate or four 5″ x 7″ plates. The arm will accept either one or four pickups, depending on the number of plates on the table (Fig. 1).

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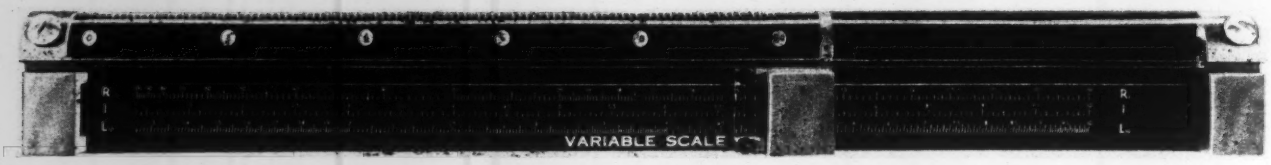

FIG. 1. THE variable scale.

THE VARIABLE SCALE

Scales are fundamental to all measurements—yet knowledge that a graduated scale can be a flexible mathematical tool is not generally appreciated.

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Gerber Scientific
Instrument Co.

POWER OF A FLEXIBLE SCALE is apparent from the many many mathematical functions that can be performed on a "Variable Scale."* These functions include curve multiplicaton and division, reproduction to scale, normalizing, interpolation and cycle counting. Thousands of such basic calculations are performed manually and laboriously each day.

The Variable Scale

The Variable Scale is a coiled spring with one end fixed and the other attached to a movable rider with a hairline (Fig. 1). There are 100 calibrated coils on the spring, with color coding for easy identification and reading.

The hairline rides over three fixed engraved scales —(1) the I or *inch* scale, which tells the number of inches that the flexible scale is extended; (2) the R_I or *reciprocal* scale, which tells the number of coils per inch at any extension, and (3) a Log $_{10}$ or conventional *logarithm* scale, which tells the logarithm of the extension. Note that the I and L_{10} scales are the same as the L and C scales of a slide rule (with the first 1 inch missing).

Each scale, plus the spring, solves a group of common problems.

*Registered tradename Gerber Scientific Instrument Co.

Problems Involving the Calibrated Spring

Graphical Multiplication and Division

Many curves must be replotted as a family or multiplied by a constant. As shown in Fig. 2, curve *a* is simply converted to curves representing 0.2*a*, 0.4*a*, 0.6*a*, or 0.8*a* by first extending the variable scale in the position shown, with 100 coils representing the

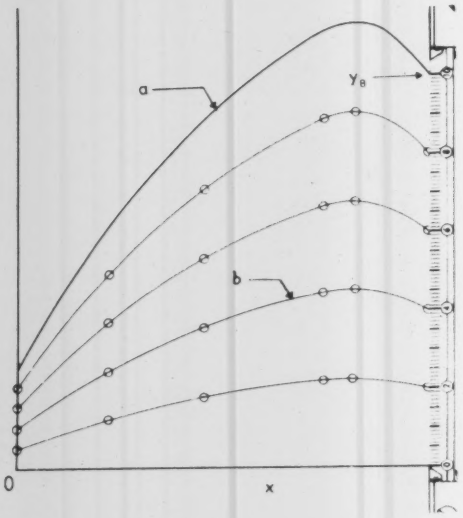


FIG. 2. REPLOTTING curves to different scales.

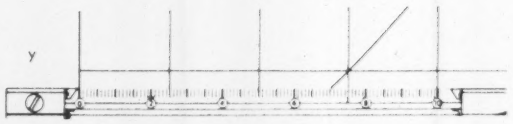


FIG. 3. READING A COARSE grid (or no grid). Setting 86.5 coil on x = 100 performs automatic multiplication of any reading by constant factor 865.

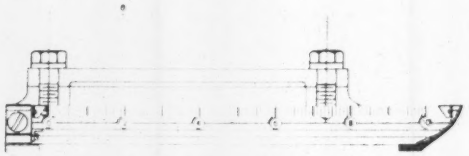


FIG. 4. OBTAINING DIMENSIONS from a scaled drawing.

height of curve *a*. Any proportion of *a* can be immediately seen from the rule. Note that no graph grid or calculation is necessary.

A simple extension of the same technique makes it possible to replot curve *b* so that the curve passes through any given point y_B. As shown in Fig. 2, this requires only that the scale be extended so that the 100-coil point is at the y_B point. It is seen that the *b* curve hits the 40.0 coil. At any other point, by placing the 40.0 coil on curve *b*, the 100-coil point marks the new curve.

Reading Graphs

As shown in Fig. 3, the scale can be used to read between grids on graph paper. Each reading can be multiplied by any factor, of say 0.865, simply by setting the 86.5 coil on point x = 100. Any reading will now be multiplied by the factor 865.

Obtaining Scale Factors

If only one dimension of a scaled drawing is known, the scale factor and any other dimension can be read directly from the rule. In Fig. 4, if the bolt diameter is known to be 0.500", it is only necessary to extend the rule so that 5 coils extend across the bolt. Any other dimension then can be read directly. For example, the distance between the bolt center lines is directly read as 7.34".

Normalizing

It is often necessary to compare any point on any curve to some normalized value (such as the maximum value). For example, in mass spectrometry peaks *a* and *b* (Fig. 5) must be read in terms of the maximum peak amplitude. This is done simply by setting 100 coils on the maximum amplitude and reading the other heights directly from the scale. Peak *a* is seen to be 0.613 and *b* is 0.418 of the peak amplitude.

If the heights in Fig. 5 were manometer heights, the ratio of pressures could be read directly.

This problem of dividing one length or amplitude into another is a common one. For example, in analysis of infrared recordings (Fig. 6) it often is necessary to determine the ratio $(I_1 - I_o)/(I_2 - I_o)$.

This is done simply by extending the rule so that 100 coils cover the distance $I_2 - I_o$. It is seen that the distance $I_1 - I_o$ is read directly as 0.252, the ratio sought.

Interpolation Between Curves

It often is necessary to interpolate between curves, such as finding the value of point P in Fig. 7. Place the instrument perpendicular to the line that bisects the angle of the two bounding curves, and extend the rule so that the 0 coil is at z = 1 and the 25 coil at z = 1.25. Note that 25 coils cover the interval between 1.00 and 1.25. It is seen that point P is z = 1.073 (coil 7.3).

Plotting Test Points

Test points are seldom nice even numbers. For example, given elevation or pressure points 713 and 719 in Fig. 8, it may be desired to plot contours representing 710, 715, and 720 units.

Since the difference between 713 and 719 is 6 feet, first set the 0 coil on point 713 and the 60 coil on point

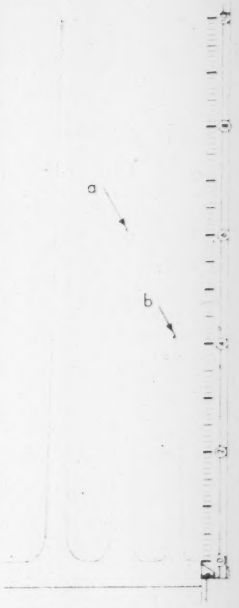


FIG. 5. NORMALIZING.

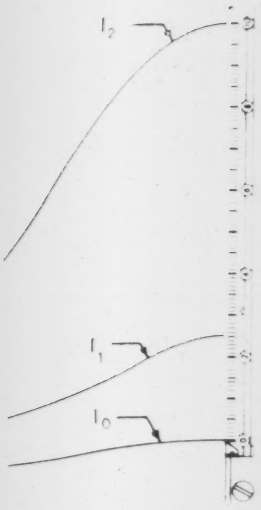


FIG. 6. DIVIDING one curve into another.

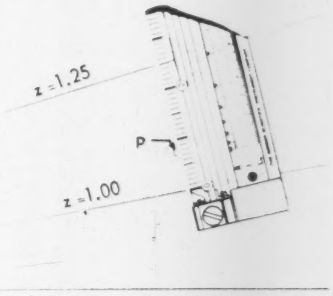


FIG. 7. LINEAR interpolation.

FIG. 8. PLOTTING test points.

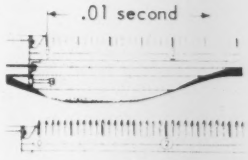


FIG. 9. COUNTING cycles.

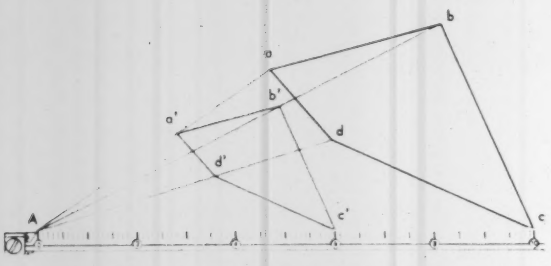


FIG. 10. PANTOGRAPH scaling.

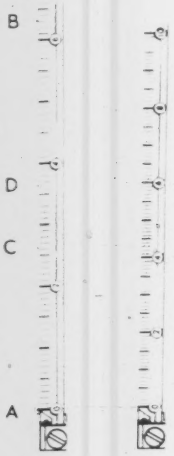


FIG. 11. TIME DISTANCE, and velocity problem.

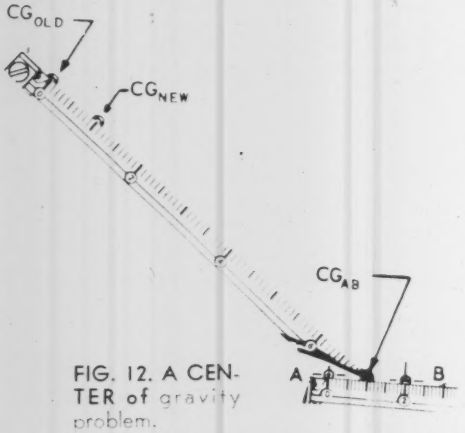


FIG. 12. A CENTER of gravity problem.

FIG. 13. READING a small distance with accuracy.

719. Now each coil represents 0.1 ft. The 710 point is now 30 coils below the 713 point: the 715 point is 20 coils above it: the 720 point must be 60 coils above.

Counting Cycles

Frequency is often found by a count of cycles—a tedious manual job. By extending the rule so that coil 1 falls on cycle 1, coil 2 on cycle 2, etc., as shown in Fig. 9, the number of counts between any two given points can be read directly. As there are 25.8 coils in 0.01 second the frequency is 2580 cps.

If the spacing between counts is not uniform, the slider can be adjusted to keep successive cycles in alignment: this averages the count.

Pantograph Scaling or Curve Reduction

The scale multiplies and divides distances rapidly. Fig. 10 shows how a figure abcd can be replotted so that its dimensions are 60% of the original. Locate the 0 coil at an arbitrary point A; locate the 100 coil at c. Plot point c' at the 60 coil. Repeating for points a, b, and d yields the new figure. Curves can be similarly reduced.

Time, Distance and Velocity Problems

Computations from maps and photographs can be made as follows: Suppose the distance between A and B in Fig. 11 is 63.2 miles. At a velocity of 35.6 mph, find the time to traverse distance AC, and mark off every 10 minutes of course.

With the 0 coil at A and the 63.2 coil at B, every coil represents 1 mile. AC is thus seen to be 26.3 miles. Point D (36.6 coil) represents one hour. Compress the coil so that 60 coils cover the distance AD. Every coil now represents 1 minute.

Center of Gravity Calculations

Adding rivets to strengthen a structure often requires tedious computation of the new center of gravity. Fig. 12 shows the simple solution with the variable scale when two rivets (A and B) are added to a 12-rivet system with a known center of gravity (CG_{OLD}).

The center of gravity of the new rivets is simply half way between them. This is found by extending 20 coils across A-B and marking the 10-coil point.

The old system has 12 rivets: the new has 14. The ratio of 12/14 is 60/70. Setting the rule as shown, with 70 coils between CG_{OLD} and CG_{AB}, locates the new C. G. at the 10 coil.

Scaling Small Lengths

If 10 coils are extended across a small dimension, as in Fig. 13, the reading at the rider (100 coils) on the I scale can be made to three figures. If the reading is 9.52, the dimension sought is 0.952 inch. Note that a reading within thousandths is possible.

Use of the Reciprocal Scale

Applying or Finding A Scale Factor

When reading oscillograms, it often is required to apply a scale factor to obtain the variable. For example, in Fig. 14, the scale factor is 1 inch equals 17,310 psi.

The R (reciprocal) scale reads coils/inch directly. Thus, by setting the rider on R 17.31 (17.31 coils/

inch), every coil represents 1000 psi. The reading shown is 39,400 psi.

Finding A Scale Factor

If the amplitude in Fig. 14 is known to be 39,400 psi and if 39.4 coils are extended across this distance, each coil represents 1000 psi. The R scale would now give the scale factor directly—17.31 or 17,310 psi/inch.

If one wished to lay off points at, say 1.21 points/inch, all that is required is to set the hairline at 12.11 on the R scale; every tenth coil will be spaced at 1.21 inch.

Engineering scales often must be made with odd rulings, such as 15.87 division/inch. Simply set the hairline at 15.87 on the R scale; every coil marks the desired division.

The Log Scale

Given any two logarithmic points, the rule can be used to interpolate or find any other point.

Note that the 0 coil represents 0 on the L scale, infinity on the R scale, and 1 on the log scale (that is, log 1).

Suppose the two points A and B in Fig. 15 represent points log 1 and log 5. Let us lay off a log scale based on these two points. Set the rider at 5 on the L scale. Set the 0 coil on A (log 1) and note that point B intercepts coil 59.2. To find the log 2 point, simply move the rider to 2 on the L scale; coil 59.2 will now indicate the log 2 point; for log 3, set the rider to log 3 on the L scale; again the 59.2 coil will mark log 3.

If two other log points are given, it is first necessary to locate the log 1 point before finding other points as described.

If points representing log 1 and 10 are known (as in Fig. 16), point A can be interpolated as follows: Set 0 coil on curve 1; set hairline to 10 on Log scale; note that point A is at coil 19.6. Compress the spring so that coil 19.6 intersects A. The reading on L scale shows this point to be 3.22.

Power Ratios

The L scale permits the power ratio of two curves to be obtained immediately. If peak *a* in Fig. 17 is 3.78, find *b* as a power ratio of *a*—that is find *n* in $a^n = b$.

Set 37.8 coil over *a*, and note that amplitude of *b* is 26.9. This is the amplitude ratio we wish to express as a power ratio.

Set hairline at 3.78 on Log scale and note that coil 59.8 hits point *a*. Move hairline to 26.9 on Log scale and mark point b_L at coil 59.8. The ratio b_L/a is the desired power ratio. This is found simply by setting the 10 coil on *a*, reading b_L directly as 0.745.

The GraphAnalogue

The Variable Scale also is available with additional scales (on the area on which the slider rides) which can be used to (1) compare sine functions, (2) determine angles and rates of elevation, (3) plot a square (power) scale, (4) make probability estimates, (5) square, (6) cube, etc. This mathematical tool is called the "GraphAnalogue."

FIG. 14. APPLYING (or finding) a scale factor to a strain-gage oscillogram.

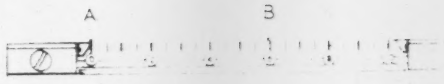


FIG. 15. MAKING a log scale to scale.

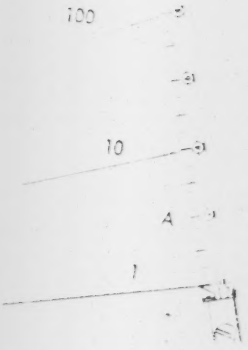


FIG. 16. INTERPOLATING logarithmically.

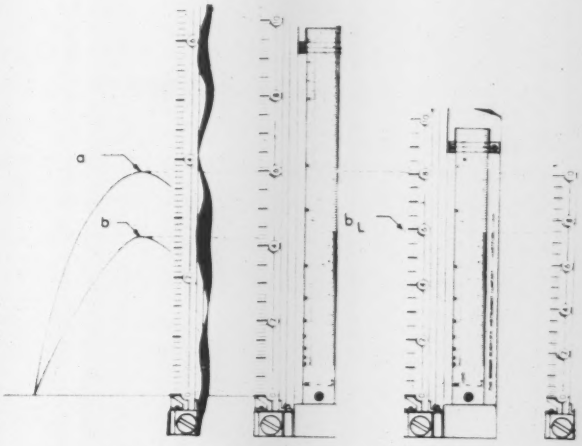


FIG. 17. POWER ratio reading.

CHART AND CURVE

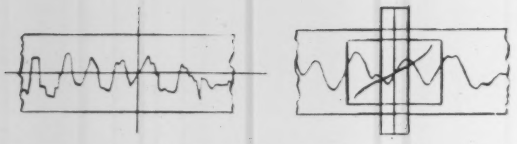
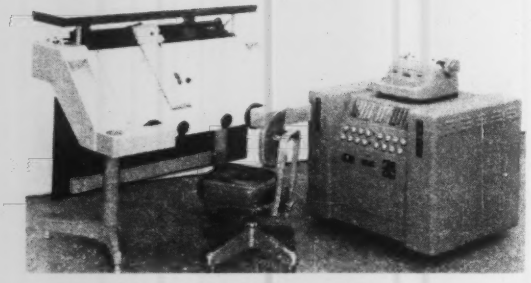


FIG. 1. MOST COMMON chart reading techniques involve use of cross-wires or templates.



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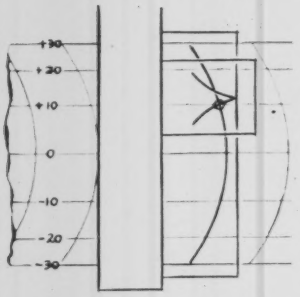

FIG. 3. CURVILINEAR template for one axis, and nonlinear template for applying correction in other axis.

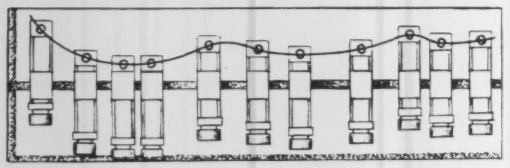

FIG. 4. FLEXIBLE STRIP can be bent into nonlinear shape to apply automatic nonlinear corrections.

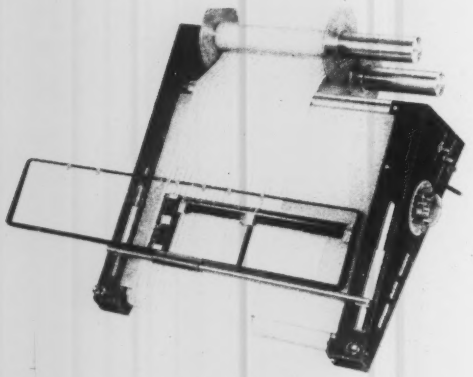

FIG. 5. GERBER DATA READER makes use of the Variable Scale.

Curve Readers

A FAMILY of mathematical aids is available for the common problem of rapidly and accurately reading data (coordinates) from curves. The two most common techniques involve use of cross-wires and templates (Fig. 1). The operator positions either the wires or template at the point to be read; data are given automatically in digital form with high accuracy.

Cross-wire readers are usually accurate, easy to use, and fast. Template readers can perform some operations impossible with cross-wire readers. However, they may be slow, less accurate, and harder to use. Each type is suited for a different kind of application.

Fig. 2 shows the Type 099 DataReducer*, a typical chart recorder. It can use both cross wires and templates, plus a target.

Templates attached to the arm and carriage carry the hairlines with are positioned over the point to be read. Fig. 3 shows how a curvilinear template is used with a curvilinear axis, and a nonlinear template with the other (vertical calibration) to apply corrections.

Orthogonal records also can have nonlinear corrections applied by techniques involving tilting the arms and special templates. Fig. 4 shows how a nonlinear correction can be applied automatically with a plug-in accessory called a "Linearizer." This consists of a flexible strip held in place by adjustable stops.

Some chart readers are designed to give digital readouts and printouts, and to work into punch-card and other data handling accessories.

The Gerber Data Reader (Fig. 5) is a variable-speed back-lighted oscillogram reader and scanner. Features include use of the coiled-spring variable scale (described elsewhere in this issue) to read amplitudes of any number of channels, including vernier technique for small amplitudes. The read head also can read frequencies, linearize nonlinear records, and correct each channel for reference line position and reference line drift.

Oscillogram readers are offered also by Coleman Engineering Co., Benson-Lehner Corporation, and others.

Curve Analyzer

A time-consuming and common problem is that of obtaining the equation of a curve or a set of points. In *Fourier Analysis*, the digital method requires that

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INSTRUMENTS

Mathematical tools to aid in chart and curve analysis include chart readers, curve analyzers, equation finders, slope readers, micro-rules, rolling rules, and spacing dividers.

the curve be divided into a number of stations, preferably equally divided. At these stations the amplitudes have to be scaled precisely and then solved in a matrix. These computations usually are solved either manually or with large digital or analog computers. Even though the Fourier Series is very important in engineering problems, other equations are even more important. Equations such as *Power Series* or *Orthogonal Polynomials* (least squares) are also commonly solved on large computers whose cost is considerable and which require a staff of mathematicians. The Equameter* (Fig. 6) does this work much more simply. It gives the equation of a curve in a few minutes, directly from a graph or a series of plotted points. It is portable and requires no mathematical background.

The Equameter consists of back-lighted surface to which the curve to be analyzed is fastened. Carriages supporting the scales-hairline assembly and curves-coefficients assembly slide on a rail at the front of the instrument. A built-in Variable Scale is used to divide the curve under analysis into a number of equally spaced stations.

The curve to be analyzed is slid under the glass "curves" plate and hairline and is fastened to the instrument. The proper data sheet is selected for the analysis. These data sheets are presently available for Fourier Series to 13 terms, Power Series to the fifth power, and Least-Square Orthogonal Polynomials to 20 points. Other series can be programed as the need arises.

The Variable Scale is extended to the amount called for on the data sheet, thus automatically dividing the curve into the proper number of stations. At each of these stations one of the curves on the glass curves plate is made to intersect the point where the station-marking hairline crosses the specimen. At each station readings are taken from the scales, opposite the proper coefficients, and entered in the Data Sheet. The sum of each column on the Data Sheet yields one term on the series—with no memory, no programing, no electronics. For example, Fig. 7 shows a curve of density of water versus temperature. Using the Equameter, the form shown in Fig. 8 is filled in, which gives the equation for the curve directly:

$$\therefore \rho = 1\left\{1.1111\left[3.993+(-0.16)\left(\tfrac{2}{179}\right)(t-31.7)\right.\right.$$
$$\left.\left.+(-0.497)\left(\tfrac{2}{179}\right)^2(t-31.7)^2\right]+58\right\}$$
$$\text{OR } \rho = 62.437 + 2.38\times10^{-3}t - 6.892\times10^{-5}t^2$$

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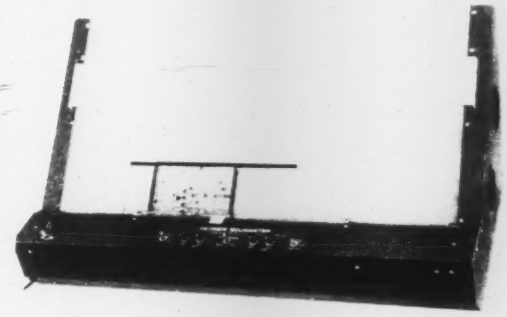

FIG. 6. EQUAMETER can find equation for curve (in form of Fourier Series or least-squares orthogonal polynomials) in a few minutes.

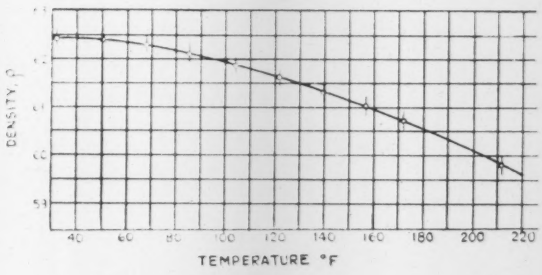

FIG. 7. CURVE OF DENSITY of water vs temperature.

SECOND POWER

Sta	Coef	a	b	c
0	0	L 4 9 9 3	-L 4 9 9 3	C 2 4 9 8
		- 1 0 0 0	-C 2 4 9 8	
1	50		L 4 3 3 6	-L 4 3 3 6
			L 4 3 3 6	
2	100		-C 1 3 4 1	C 1 3 4 1
	SUM	3 9 9 3	- 0 1 0 0	- 0 4 9 7

FIG. 8. EQUAMETER data sheet for finding density equation.

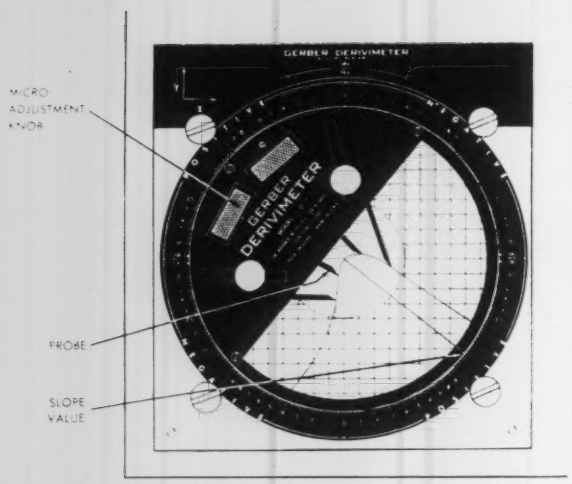

FIG. 9. DERIVIMETER reads both magnitude and sign of curve slope (dy/dx) at any point, directly.

FIG. 10. THE MICRO-RULE can read or plot to 0.001".

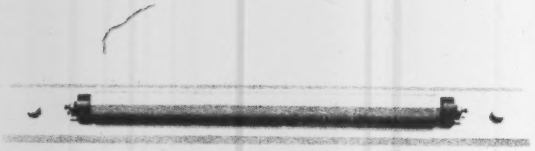

FIG. 11. THE ROLLING RULE maintains parallelism.

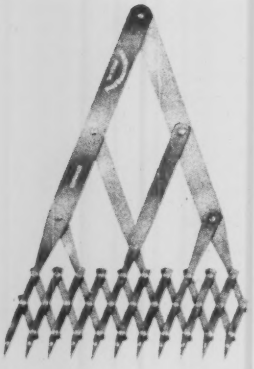

FIG. 12. SPACING DIVIDERS.

An 8-term Fourier analysis or a 3rd-power Power Series equation can be determined in about seven minutes. A 12-term Fourier analysis requires only ten minutes.

Derivimeter

The slope or derivative of a curve is required in many problems, including cam layouts, mechanical design, road planning, obtaining velocity and acceleration data from displacement curves, etc. The Derivimeter* (Fig. 9) is a simple device that will read the slope of a curve at any one point with an accuracy comparable to calculation from a known equation.

The principle is simple: if a pointer is *welded* perpendicular to a thin metal strip, and if the strip is bent, the pointer will always remain perpendicular at the point where it is fastened, irrespective of the shape of the bent metal strip. If we place this metal strip over a plotted or recorded curve with the junction point over the point at which we wish to read a tangent, and flex the strip to take the shape of the curve, the rod will then point in the direction of the normal to the tangent. At the end of the indicator registers on a circular scale, any deflection or rotation about the pivot pin is transmitted to the scale. The scale is divided into 4 quadrants to read the sign as well as the numerical value of the derivative. The deflection of the spring is controlled by the sliding of rods contacting the back of the spring.

By orienting the frame 90° counter-clockwise to the derivative position, the normal to the curve can be read.

Micro Rules

The "Micro-Rule"** (Fig. 10) is a scale with a vernier-calibrated extension that can read to 0.001". It can be used for measuring and laying out distances to 0.001" without magnification. Primary use is for accurate scaling and proportioning. Using a table of tangents it can lay off angles to minutes. It can set radii for circles, cams, etc.

Rolling Rules

The problem of maintaining parallelism while drawing and reading usually requires a drafting table. A simple solution is the rolling rule** (Fig. 11). This is simply a ruler mounted on a roller. The ruler can be rolled in the direction perpendicular to the roller, maintaining parallelism at all times.

Spacing Dividers

Spacing dividers** (Fig. 12) are linked mechanically so that they divide their variable total setting into ten equal parts. Up to 6" and 12" extreme openings are available. This can be used to divide and multiply chart distances, read small distances with accuracy, and lay off scale graduations.

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FIG. 1. Texas Gas Transmission Installation at Owensboro, Kentucky uses a G-15D and CA-1, plus a Benson Lehner Oscar Model J (for digitizing graphical information using an IBM 024 key punch) plus a Flexowriter.

Who Uses Medium-Size Computers?

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WHERE are the medium-size computers today? A few years ago the relatively low-cost computers were introduced; today hundreds are installed, and orders are increasing. Where are they finding their place?

The Bendix G-15 general-purpose computer is an example. It is finding more rapid acceptance in some fields than in others for several reasons: One is that when computers begin to be used in a particular field, others profit from the experience of the pioneers and, where they see it is paying off, enter and add their own experience. Users tend to cooperate in idea sharing and program development.

Another reason is urgency of need. Some industries require arithmetic calculations to high accuracy.

Another reason is speed—as in missile tracking and impact predictions systems.

In many cases computers are solving problems in much the same way that they were previously solved with desk calculators, slide rule, or paper and pencil. In other cases they are utilizing mathematical procedures not previously possible.

The largest group of Bendix G-15 users is in the *civil engineering field*. Close to 200 programs are in the Civil Engineering Library. Applications in this field cover bridge design, structures, soil analysis, traffic studies, run-off in sewer problems, as well as highway design and earth moving.

Another major category is the use of a lower-cost computer as a *satellite machine to a larger computer* in industry and government. It may be found as part of the closed-shop central group, preparing data for the giant machines, scaling, checking out trial portions of major programs and running problems not justifying more expensive machine time. It is also used to train the operating staff and to introduce technical personnel to computers. Textile, chemical and petroleum labs that had only remote use of a central facility would previously develop only a few new programs a year. Now, with their individual machines, they average several new programs a week.

According to the head of a large petroleum research center, "If only one 'off beat' idea a year works out, the computer has amply justified itself. The man developing a new idea or design is not always even sure how to get out of the machine the answers he wants. You can't afford this type of work on big computers." The repetitive programs for these groups are data reduction and statistical. Considerable experimental money is saved the organizations by *mathematical simulation of chemical mixtures, distillation processes, refinery methods, oil well operation*, and by more completely evaluated *test data*.

In engineering groups the G-15 is used to check out new designs, eliminating vast sums formerly spent on test models. In the radar field a major program takes care of all the calculations required for new antenna designs; at an aircraft company it is used in landing gear design, at other companies it is used for the design of complex three dimensional cams and, with a digital differential analyser accessory, for airborne computer design, simulation and missile development.

A valuable contribution of the medium size machine is for *on-line use with test equipment*. Here it can take care of data evaluation and data reduction while the physical tests are in process.

A number of users are in the *nuclear reactor design field* where the computer has been found to be adequate for simulation studies.

A new area opening up is that of *real time control*.

Our technology and our science have become quantitative. The complexity found in every part of our lives is found also in the different levels of science, engineering, business and economy. The use of computers is thus essential in all fields today.

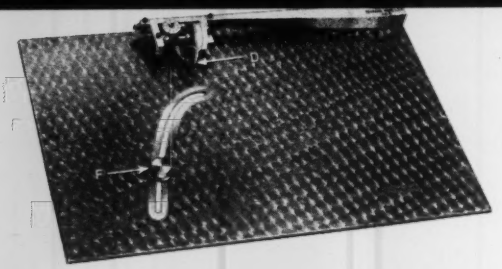


FIG. 1. TYPICAL circular-chart planimeter with tracer. (Courtesy The Foxboro Co.)

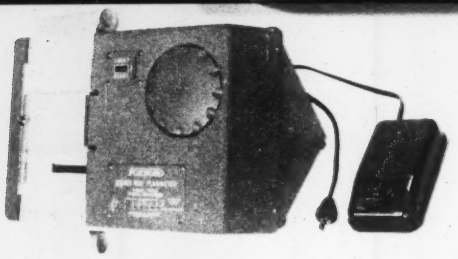


FIG. 2. PLANIMETER for strip chart. (Courtesy The Foxboro Co.)

INTEGRATION

THE INTEGRAL, or the area UNDER THE CURVE of a signal, is of importance in the measurement of energy, velocity, displacement, power, heat transfer, stress, and totalized quantities of flow and many other variables.

The basic ways for obtaining such integrals include (1) mechanical planimeters, (2) mechanical integrators, (3) electronic counting-type integrators, and (4) analog and operational techniques, as in analog computers. Typical examples of each type will be given in order to cover the many types available.

Planimeters

Fig. 1 shows a typical planimeter for integrating the area under the curve on a circular chart. Such planimeters are available for either uniform-scale charts or square-root charts. The chart is placed on the hub shown and the pointer (or pen) of the planimeter is made to follow the curve as the chart is rotated once. The difference between the readings on the planimeter dials (with vernier) before and after this operation gives the area under the curve (linear model) or the average of the squares (square root model). *Note*: the average of the square roots is *not* the square root of the average. Use of a pen on the planimeter tells how closely the operator follows the chart curve.

Fig. 2 shows a planimeter for a strip chart. Here again models are available for either linear or square-root charts. The foot switch shown moves the chart while the operator follows the curve with the tracer. A 30-day chart can be so integrated, with both the duration of the record and the integral indicated digitally on counters.

The Ball/Disk Mechanical Integrator

The ball and disc integrator is a precision (0.01% reproducibility) mechanical integrating mechanism which can perform a wide variety of mathematical functions. The growing list of applications include flow totalizing, computing areas under gas chromatography curves, averaging of any process variable, and applying correction factors to meter readings.

Fig. 4 shows the principle of the integrator. Rotation of the output shaft equals the $\int y\,dx$, where x is

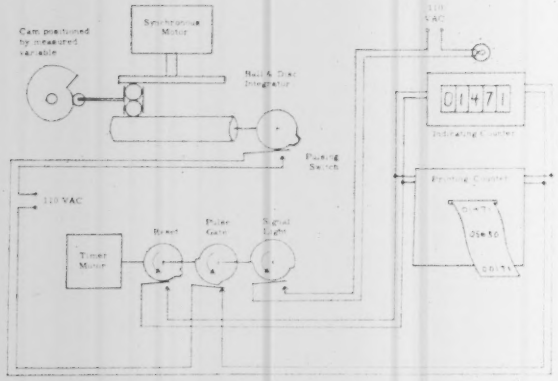


FIG. 3. INTEGRATOR plus timer and reset gates permits averaging. (Courtesy Royson Engineering Co.)

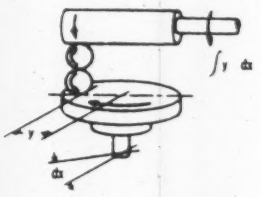
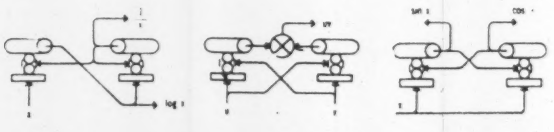


FIG. 4. BALL AND DISC integrator. (Courtesy Librascope, Inc.)

FIG. 5. GENERATING log x and 1/x (left), a product, and sine or cosine (right).



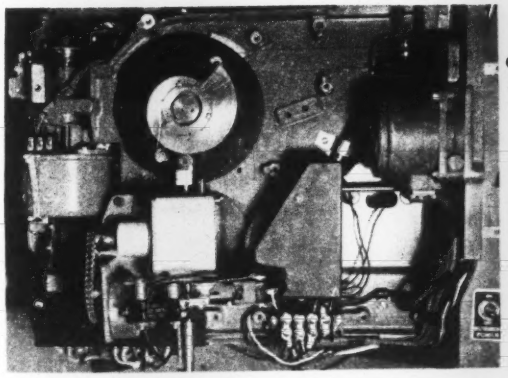


FIG. 6. **INTEGRATOR** on recorder chassis. (Courtesy Royson Engineering Co.)

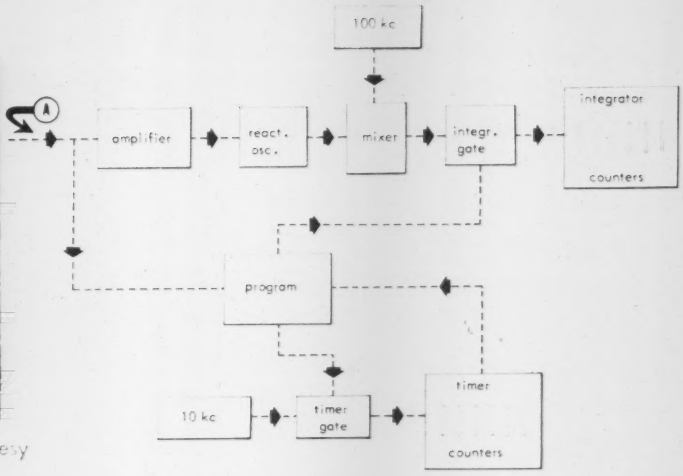


FIG. 7. **BLOCK** diagram of Alinco Model 270 integrator. (Courtesy Allegany Instrument Co.)

rotation of disc and y is displacement of ball from center of disc, *or vice versa*.

The output shaft can operate a switch to convert its rotation into a series of pulses (Fig. 3) which can be totalized for digital readout of the total integral.

Adding a timer (Fig. 3) permits the pulses to be counted for a given interval. This is, by definition *averaging*. An average value is valuable in many ways, including reading the value of some variable that is fluctuating rapidly.

Fig. 5 shows the ways in which the basic integral function is used to obtain other mathematical functions, such as log, inverse, multiplication and trigonometric functions.

In Fig. 5A it is seen that if x is one input, and if 1/x is the second input, then the output from the top left shaft must be log x because

$$\int (1/x)\, dx = \log x$$

If log x is fed to the input of the second integrator, and if 1/x is the second input, then 1/x is the output because

$$\int (1/x)\, d(\log x) = \int (1/x)(1/x)dx$$
$$= \int (1/x^2)\, dx = 1/x$$

The hookup shown in Fig. 5A satisfies both integration conditions.

Fig. 5B shows the hookup for multiplication. The output of the first integrator must be $\int udv$; that of the second must be $\int vdu$. Adding the two via a mechanical differential summer gives $\int udv + vdu$ which, by definition, is uv.

Fig. 5C shows the hookup for generating a sine or cosine function. The output of integrator 1 must be sin x if its two inputs are cos x and dx because $\int \cos x\, dx$ is sin x; similarly the output of integrator 2 must be cos x if its two inputs are sin x and dx. (All signs of terms have been ignored for simplicity).

Fig. 6 shows a typical integrator mounted on a recorder.

Electronic Counting Integrators

When signals in the order of milliseconds require investigation, a counting-type electronic integrator may be indicated.

Fig. 7 shows the block diagram of the Alinco Model 270 Integrating System. The operation is based on a reactance-tube oscillator. With no signal the oscillator is tuned to 100 kc, as is the fixed-frequency oscillator. A signal changes the frequency of the reactance oscillator, developing a beat signal whose frequency is proportional to the amplitude of the signal. The gates and timers permit integration (count of pulses) to start and stop at preset levels or preset times. This flexibility is shown in Fig. 8. The maximum count rate of 10,000 counts per second permits investigation of signals with durations as short as 10 milliseconds.

Fig. 9 shows the CR-2 time-function integrator of SIE. The input d-c signal (0-20 mv, 0-200 mv, or 0-2 v at 100 ohms input impedance) is amplified by two linear magnetic amplifiers and then fed to a linear magnetic integrator which produces a pulse rate proportional to the voltage input. The pulse output is zero to 20 cps. A lamp on the panel indicates the end of an integration cycle.

FIG. 8. **INTEGRATION** of portions of a signal.

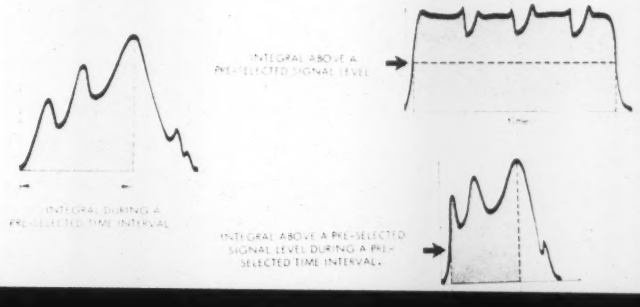
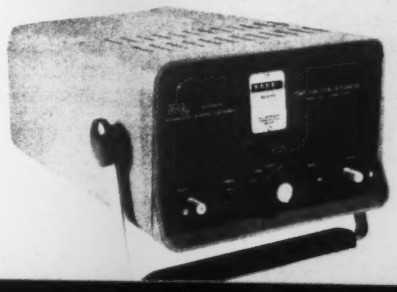

INTEGRAL ABOVE A PRE-SELECTED SIGNAL LEVEL
INTEGRAL DURING A PRE-SELECTED TIME INTERVAL
INTEGRAL ABOVE A PRE-SELECTED SIGNAL LEVEL DURING A PRE-SELECTED TIME INTERVAL

FIG. 9. **CR-2** time-function integrator. (Courtesy Southwestern Industrial Electronics).



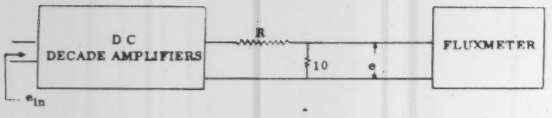


FIG. 10. ANALOG integrating system comprises d-c decade amplifier, voltage divider and Weston Inductronic fluxmeter.

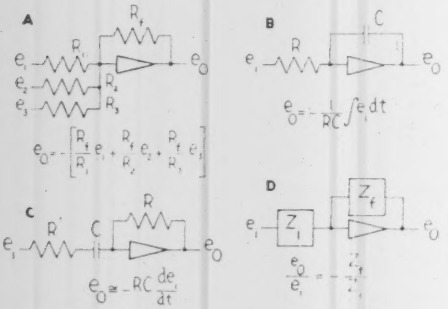


FIG. 11. OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIER is converted into summing amplifier, integrator, differentiator, etc., by feedback arrangements.

Analog Integration Via Fluxmeter

An integrator based on a fluxmeter has been reported in the literature*.

The integrating system comprises a d-c decade amplifier, a voltage divider, and a Model 1472 Weston Inductronic fluxmeter (Fig. 10).

The fluxmeter is the unit that performs the actual integration and exhibits a direct reading of $\int e\,dt$ (where e = voltage and t = time). The reading is accurate for time integrations up to 1 minute. The full-scale reading of the fluxmeter is 5 mv-sec. This method of integration follows sharply rising or falling pulses.

Response from dc through 25 kc is ± 1 db; from 25 kc to 100 kc = 3 db, in step-controlled gains of 0, 20, 40 and 60 db.

The instrument allows linear amplification of relatively low-level (millivolt) signals without appreciable error because the signal-to-noise ratio is large; for a 1-mv pulse applied for a 4-sec period the signal-to-noise ratio was 50/1.

Analog Computer Integration

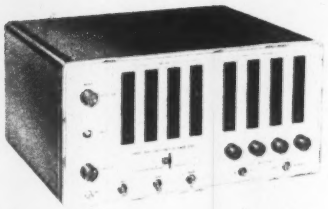
Integration is one of the four basic mathematical functions performed electronically in the analog computer. These four are (1) multiplication, (2) addition, (3) integration, and (4) differentiation.

The basic element in most electronic differential analyzers is the direct-coupled amplifier. With various feedback elements, the unit d-c amplifier becomes either a multiplier, a summing element, a differentiator, or an integrator.

Fig. 11 shows how resistors are used with the amplifier to produce a summing amplifier. A triangle is the conventional symbol for an operational amplifier:

*Ralph Leibowitz, Analog Integrating of Transient Waveforms, *I&A*, October, 1957, pages 1881-83.

FIG. 12. TIME-FUNCTION translator provides direct readout in desired units. (Courtesy Computer Measurements Corp.)



e_i is the input voltage; e_o the output; R_i the input resistor; R_f the feedback resistor; gain of the amplifier is in the order of 30 million; amplifier draws no grid current.

The maximum output voltage is 100 volts. Therefore, the voltage at the summing point (point A where R_f and R_i meet) must always be less than a few microvolts. This can be considered zero for computing the current in the input resistor.

As point A is effectively at zero potential, the current in the input resistor (I_i) is E_i/R_i; similarly, current in the feedback resistor (I_f) is E_o/R_f. Assuming zero grid current to amplifier, the current in the input resistor must equal current in the feedback resistor, or $I_i = I_f$.

Thus, if R_i equals R_f, then $E_o = E_i$.

Point A is called the virtual ground because it never departs from zero potential by more than a few microvolts. It is important to understand this basic feedback circuit because it illustrates the principle by which various operations are performed with the operational amplifier.

This use of total feedback around such a high-gain amplifier is a dramatic illustration of the entire feedback concept, about which so much is written. When R_i and R_f in Fig. 11 are equal, point A, the virtual ground, does not depart from zero potential by 1 part in 1 million; yet the output is a perfect inverse of the input signal.

When a capacitor is used as the feedback path the summing point again remains at near-zero potential, yet the output becomes a near-perfect integral of the input signal.

Time-Function Translator

Many transducers, including turbine-type flow pickups and tachometers, sense variables in terms of pulses. The "Time Function Translator" (Fig. 12) is an instrument which counts and reads out the number of pulses developed. If the timing interval were one second, it follows that the pulse count could be multiplied by some combined factor K that included constants established by the flow pickup used and the type of liquid under test to produce the reading in the desired units—lb/min, gal/hr, etc. Similarly, varying the time base (the variable time interval) permits direct readout (pulse count) in the desired form. This is done simply by selecting a time interval such that the readout is in the desired units, without conversion tables, graphs, charts or calculations.

ELECTRONIC CIRCUITRY

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The circuit is the heart of all electronics. Here are 2 more basic and interesting circuits. Unless marked, resistors are in ohms, capacitors in microfarads.

BACK-TO-BACK ZENER DIODES REGULATE A-C HEATER VOLTAGE

Two HZPR-12 power zener diodes are used to regulate the a-c heater voltage applied to a 12AX7 amplifier stage in this circuit. The two diodes are connected cathode-to-cathode, so that one operates on its reverse characteristic (in the "zener" region) while the other is conducting in the forward direction. On the next half cycle the operation reverses—that is, one diode regulates voltage during positive half-cycles, the other during negative half cycles.

The heater transformer used develops 25.2 v rms, which is equivalent to 35.5 v peak. When the instantaneous voltage across load and diodes is less than 12 v, the diodes have little effect. As supply transformer voltage continues toward the 35.5-v peak value, diode current increases and, owing to the voltage drop across series resistor R_s, the load voltage remains close to 12 v. The

load voltage is thus a heavily clipped sine wave; the fraction of a cycle during which the diodes conduct is higher at high line voltage than lower input voltage.

The rms value of the load voltage will vary with input voltage, even though the peak load voltage is held constant at 12 v. The improvement afforded by such zener diode regulation was measured by determining the change in the 12AX7 tube plate voltage produced by line voltage shift from 100 to 125 v rms. Plate voltage change was 7.5 v dc with unregulated heater; regulation reduced this to 1 v, an improvement of 7.5:1.

In the circuit shown, peak current supplied by the transformer is 1 ampere because resistor R_s drops the peak transformer voltage of 35.5 v by 23.5 v when diode current is a maximum. Hence the heater transformer must be capable of at least 700 ma rms, although heater current is only 125 ma.

The 12AX7 tube was connected for 12.6 v (150 ma) heater operation; a 6.3-v 300-ma heater, such as a 6SU7 tube, can be regulated by adding a 21-ohm resistor (or a similar heater of another tube) in series with the heater terminals, and by reducing the 23.5-ohm series resistor R_s to 19 ohms. The change in d-c plate voltage of a 6SU7 tube was reduced by a factor of 10 by such a regulating circuit, for line voltage change from 100 to 130 v.

Input: 100-130 v rms.

Output: Sine wave clipped to ±12 v peak; nominal load current, 150 ma rms.

Improvement factor: 7.5:1, measured as described.

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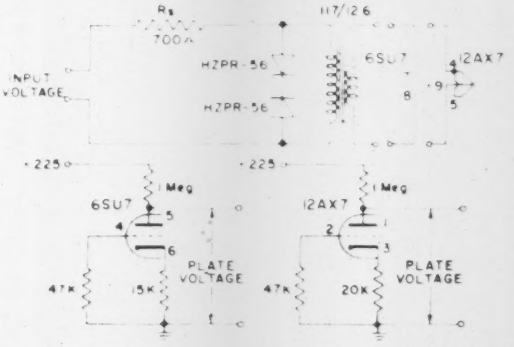
ZENER-DIODE A-C REGULATOR REGULATES TRANSFORMER PRIMARY

Operating on the same principle as the preceding circuit, this circuit uses higher voltage (56-v) power zener diodes in the primary side of the heater transformer. Circuit was tested with a 6SU7 tube heater (6.3 v, 300 ma) and with a 12AX7 (connected for 6.3-v operation).

A heater transformer rated at 117/12.6 v was used. As the diodes maintained the primary voltage at 56 v peak,



the secondary voltage was a nominal 6.3 v rms. As the primary current is smaller than the load current, the series resistor R_s must be much higher (700 ohms) than in the preceding circuit.

Effectiveness of the regulator diodes was checked by determining the change in plate voltage of the amplifier stage produced by a change in line voltage of 30 v rms. Plate voltage shift was reduced by a factor of 5:1 for the 6SU7 tube, and by 6:1 for the 12AX7 stage.

Input: 117 v rms.

Output: Nominal 6.3 v rms at 300 ma.

Improvement factor: 5:1 (6SU7) 6:1 (12AX7).

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MATHEMATICAL ELEMENTS FOR ANALOG COMPUTERS

MATHEMATICAL elements for analog computers include improved diode electronic multipliers, diode function generators, shunt and bridge limiters, and function relays.

The *diode electronic multiplier* makes use of the so-called quarter square principle:

$$(X + Y)^2 - (X - Y)^2 = 4XY$$

Diode multipliers using this principle with a simple parabolic function have long been known, but despite the obvious advantages of simplicity and virtually zero drift, little use has been made of them in real-time analog equipment. The reason was that the non-monotonic nature of the function created an ambiguity and required five amplifiers for a four-quadrant multiplier—an uneconomical operation. There was also difficulty when the variables were small, because of the uncertainties involved in using diodes at low voltages.

New diode electronic multipliers overcome these problems by use of two separate square-law functions*, each having an extra linear term added to it in such a fashion that both functions are tangent to a 45-degree line at the origin (Fig. 1).

Use of two monotonic functions eliminates any ambiguity and permits a four-quadrant multiplier with only three amplifiers (Fig. 2).

The circuit has a further advantage when the inputs go to zero. Since both square-law functions are tangent to a 45-degree line at the origin and are changing slope relatively slowly here, no diodes need be used to generate the function in this vicinity. The accuracy here, therefore, depends only on the precision resistors used. This means that this multiplier has its best accuracy in the vicinity of the origin, thus avoiding one of the major problems of electronic multipliers in general—namely, that elaborate precautions are required to take care of the fact that the product is not zero when $X = 0$ and $Y = 0$. This accuracy is maintained throughout the entire voltage range of ± 100 volts.

But probably the chief advantage of this multiplier is its extreme simplicity and reliability. There are no complicated circuits to drift or get out of order—just diodes. Further, all diode heaters are operated at reduced voltage, and the voltage is regulated to eliminate any possibility of drift from this source. Essentially, the only possible source of drift, therefore, is the aging of the tube itself; this possibility of drift is reduced by pre-aging of the diodes at the factory. The result is an electronic multiplier that is accurate and yet stable.

A new silicon junction-diode multiplier is currently available in which accuracy over existing multipliers is improved by a factor of 2½ while volume per channel is reduced by 75%.

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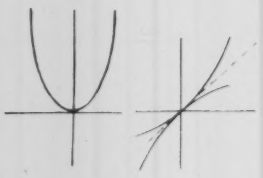


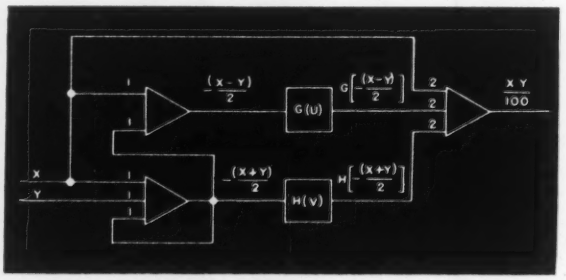
FIG. 1. New diode electronic multiplier uses two square-law functions.

FIG. 2. Four-quadrant multiplier.

Diode Function Generator

New designs of *diode function generators* have significant advantages over conventional types—advantages that offer greater convenience of operation and also greatly extend its actual capabilities. Also, the reliability, simplicity and flexibility of both set-up and use of the DFG make it most attractive compared to other methods of function generation.

Fig. 3 shows one DFG panel. Note both the "break-point" and "slope" controls are ten-turn potentiometers with direct reading ten-turn dials. These allow direct generation of much higher maximum slopes than would be practical with single-turn potentiometers and dials. Using ten-turn units in conjunction with special diode circuitry allows generation of slopes of up to 12. Thus, even functions with steep wave fronts can be generated directly without the necessity of paralleling diode segments.



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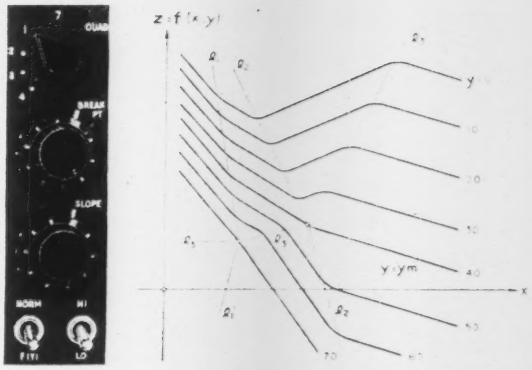


FIG. 3. DFG panel for one quadrant (left) and functions of several variables (right).

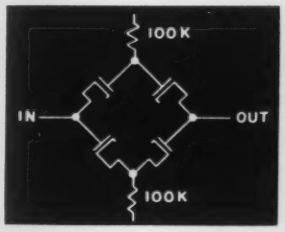
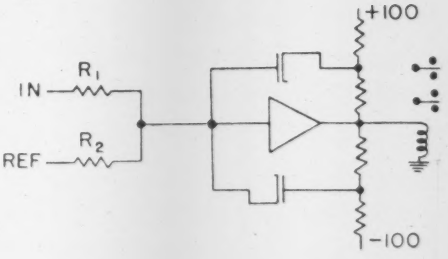


FIG. 4. Bridge limiter has sharp cut-off.

FIG. 5. Function relay.



Still a further improvement in resolution for smooth and easy setting of functions is obtained by splitting the slope control into two ranges, controlled by the switch at the lower right. In the "LO" position, the slope from zero to about one (45°) is spread across the entire ten-turn slope potentiometer, while in the "HI" position, the range of slopes from 1 (45°) to 12 (86°) is covered.

The use of ten-turn potentiometers and 1000-division dials for both break-point and slope offers another advantage—functions once set up can be logged and reproduced later simply by setting the dials to the same positions.

There are two other switches on the segment panel. The larger one at top selects the quadrant in which the straight-line segment appears. Each segment can be put into any one of the four quadrants, so that it is possible to begin function generation at any point in the function.

Functions of Two or More Variables

The other switch associated with each segment is tied in with a new development which is one of the most important features of this function generator. Throwing this switch from "normal" to "f(y)" switches the break-point return from the reference voltage to the patchbay, where it can be made a function of another variable (Fig. 3). It is thus possible to generate functions of two or more variables. The method of implementing this multi-function generation is described in detail in a technical paper by the inventor.*

Bridge Limiters

For maximum sharpness of cut-off, bridge limiters (Fig. 4) are available.

The behavior of these limiters beyond the nominal cutoff voltage is determined by the cut-off characteristics of the diode rather than by the forward conduction. The limiter characteristic is thus flat beyond cut-off rather than slightly sloping, as with simple diodes. This, then, is a better limiter for most purposes, and it is recommended for general-purpose use.

Function Relays

To be useful, relays used for switching during problem runs must have switching times negligible compared to the problem times. A new series of high-speed relays have been developed for use with the REAC® 400 Computer (Fig. 5). The voltage at which switching occurs is set by the reference voltage.

Any REAC 400 integrator or inverter can be converted to a high-gain amplifier for this switching service by patchbay switching. When amplifiers are so converted, their input resistors are freed and can be used as input and reference voltage resistors R_1 and R_2. Diode limiters are always required to prevent the d-c amplifiers from overloading, so these limiters are built in as part of the relay package. Two complete relay-diode units are supplied to a plug-in package.

Other new techniques for analog computation include automatic problem check, time-scale check, voltage scale check, patchbay vertifiers, and automatic computer operation from typed or tape commands. These have been reported.*

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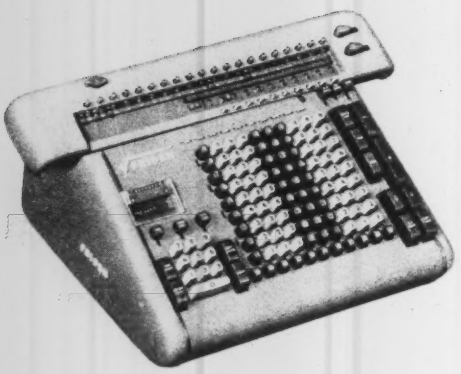

FIG. 1. FRIDEN MODEL SRW provides "touch-one-key" square root extraction in addition to fully automatic multiplication and division.

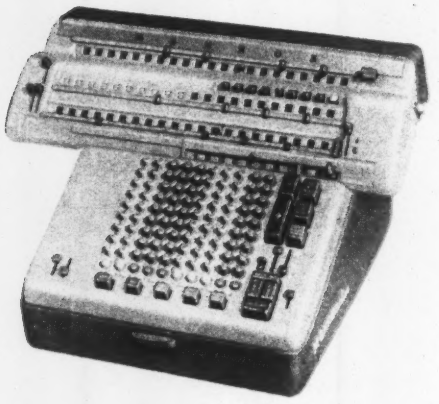

FIG. 2. MONROE MODEL 88N-213 has multi-factor multiplication feature.

DESK CALCULATORS

The mechanical desk calculator is a basic tool for statistical, engineering and mathematical work.

DESK-MODEL CALCULATING MACHINES generally are intended for use in the basic arithmetic functions of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division, using rotary mechanical elements. Such machines can do the arithmetic in any mathematical problem which can be reduced to these fundamental arithmetic functions. Usually, when an engineering or commercial problem is stated in formula form, there is indicated a combination of several arithmetic functions, in any order. The requirements of the calculator are thus raised from that of a simple arithmetic machine, to one which can handle the functions in a variety of ways, depending on the specific requirements of the work at hand.

This calls for flexibility in operation. From the introduction of the first automatic multiplying models, desk machines have eliminated the unnecessary operator decisions of preliminary dial clearance, carriage positioning and entry clearance at completion of the problem. As shown in the following equipments, "touch-one-key" operation requires the user only to enter the numbers and depress the operating control. All mechanical functions proceed automatically, the machine runs to completion of the problem, and stops with the answer readily visible at a predetermined decimal position. The time normally consumed in performing the necessary mechanical operations on less automatic machines can be utilized by the operator for recording answers or reading the next problem. This simplicity extends even to the problem of extracting square roots (see Friden Model SRW).

The "operating time" characteristics and constants of desk machines are not given in terms of "seconds or milliseconds" because each operation depends on mechanical actions that can proceed in different ways.

In statistical work, including quality control, the desk calculator is a basic tool, being taught to the students in that field. All engineers should be familiar with the ways that such machines are now being used.

Some desk-machine manufacturers supply tables and books for solving engineering problems with a desk calculator. For example, tables of natural trigonometric functions are used to obtain course and distance data, or to find the coordinates of unknown points.

In civil engineering, a partial list of problems suitable for desk-calculator solutions includes:

Addition and subtraction of angles
Interpolations of natural functions and logarithms
Computing course and distance
Area traverses
Calculation of coordinates

FIG. 3. NCR 38-M has printout feature.

Analytic geometry solutions
End area cuts and fills
Calculating grades, elevations and offsets

In mathematics, typical problems include:

Evaluating determinants
Computing accumulations in multiple correlations
Solving matrices
Partial correlation solutions
Partial regression coefficients

The price of such machines is in the $1000 - $2000 range.

Friden Model SRW

The Friden Model SRW is shown in Fig. 1.

Many common problems involve the use of constant numbers. With two keyboards, the constant can be locked against accidental change. This advantage is further enhanced by the ability to handle the constant in different methods on the larger keyboard; many problems such as savings account interest calculations entail the use of a constant multiplier locked in the Multiplier unit, a constant divisor locked on part of the larger keyboard, and the rest of the latter left open for entry of variables. With such provision for positive retention of constants, the human element has no opportunity to raise the error incidence.

Automatic clearance can be prevented if it is desired to produce accumulated and individual answers simultaneously; direct production of positive or complementary quotients can be performed without special preliminary programming; division problems can be interrupted at the completion of any digit, and then resumed merely by re-depression of the division keys; entries can be entered, cleared, or adjusted without the necessity of working through the Keyboard; a tabulating button, set once, automatically and positively identifies the decimal point in all quotients without interfering with any of the other functions of the machine.

A special feature of the SRW is the Automatic Square Root Calculator that automatically extracts the square root of any number.

Monroe 88-N Duplex

The Monroe Duplex Model 88N has a special feature which makes possible multi-factor multiplication, with automatic decimal point. In other words, three or more numbers can be multiplied automatically. This multi-factor multiplication feature makes it especially suitable for engineering problems. Any number of factors can be multiplied together *without setting the intermediate products on the keyboard*, as is usually required with desk calculators. This also makes possible rapid raising of any number to any integral power.

An actual engineering problem that was rapidly solved on the 88-N even after it was programmed for a general-purpose digital computer involved the product of $A \times B \times \sqrt{C}$. The following few steps enabled it to be solved rapidly on a desk calculator.

$$A \times B \times \sqrt{C} = \sqrt{A^2 \times B^2 \times C}$$

A is entered on the keyboard and automatically squared by a touch of a key; so is B. The two factors are multiplied by a touch of a third key; C is entered and automatically multiplied by another key, with the three-factor product retained; the final function is the square root extraction, which is again rapidly done by entering a factor (from a chart) and operating one key. Results at each step of the problem are visible and retained, as is the final solution. Intermediate products and factor changes are thus possible. This is an important engineering factor.

Another important feature is simultaneous accumulation—after a multiplication or division, products or quotients automatically accumulate, with results appearing in another dial.

NCR 38-M

National Cash Register's Model 38-M (Fig. 3) accounting machine offers a new approach to combined multiplying and bookkeeping on such jobs as payroll calculating with wage accrual and billing and accounts receivable. It has a standard keyboard, electric typewriter, multiplier keyboard, and all other features that are present in the National Class 31 line. The difference is that the "38-M" is designed to handle jobs requiring rapid multiplication. The machine has these advantages:

1. It prints what it multiplies. For example, if a price is being multiplied by a quantity, it will print those two figures and also an extension of the result.

2. The decimal will be pointed off in the correct place.

3. The mills in the result will be rounded off automatically.

4. The machine can be set up to prove that factors have gone in correctly, in which case it is not necessary to rehandle the figures.

In handling payroll calculating jobs, it is not necessary for the machine to immediately multiply quantity of piecework produced times the rate for each employee. Instead, the operator continues to enter the quantities and rates for each rate group—before any multiplication takes place. In other words, all factors for all rate groups are entered before the machine even starts to multiply.

The DDA

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THE Digital Differential Analyzer, or DDA, is a digital computer that simulates and solves differential equations by using analog techniques, including patching of the equation.

Theory of Operation

The basic element of an incremental computer, an *integrator* (Fig. 1), is a device that receives two incremental inputs, ΔX and ΔY, and generates an incremental output that is an approximation to YdX. If these increments are summed, the result is a number Z where

$$Z = \int Y dX$$

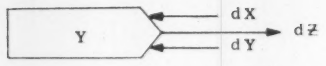
over the interval of ΔX values that have been employed. Note that unlike electronic analog computers, the independent variable in this case can be any function and need not be time. This permits the generation of nonlinear as well linear functions by the same device.

The Integrator

The simplest mechanization of an integrator requires two registers and two adders (Fig. 2). ΔY is added to the first register to yield the successive values of Y. Upon the occurrence of a ΔX pulse, $Y\Delta X$ is added to R. The R value is thus $\Sigma Y\Delta X$, which is an approximation of $\int YdX$. Rather than accumulate this complete sum, however, the integral portion of the sum becomes a series of incremental outputs (ΔZ), which can serve as the ΔX or the ΔY input to other (or to the same) integrators. The action of the integrator has been clearly described in the literature.*

Two examples will indicate how integrators are interconnected. Fig. 3 shows the generation of e^x. If the value in the Y register, e^x, is integrated with respect to X, the result is $e^x dX$ or $d(e^x)$. But de^x represents the increments which, when summed, yield e^x. These increments are therefore used as the ΔY of the integrator itself, closing the loop. If, now, the Y value is started at some appropriate initial condition, the integrator will generate e^x.

A second example is the solution of $Y'' - Y = 0$. This may be rewritten as $dY' = YdX$. In Fig. 4, the



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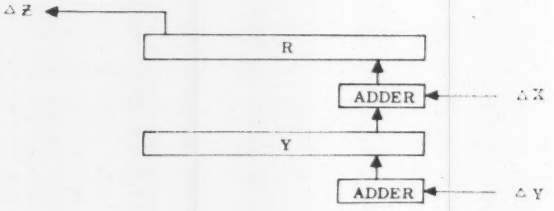

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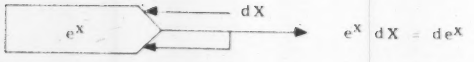

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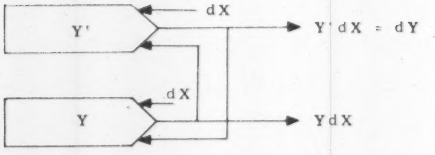

FIG. 4

first integrator holds Y′ and is integrated with respect to X, and so generates $Y'dX = dY$. The increments representing dY are summed in the second integrator and again integrated with respect to X. The result, YdX, is according to the given equation, equal to dY′. Therefore, employing the output of integrator 2 as the dY input to integrator 1 closes the loop and generates the required solution: sinh X and cosh X.

The TRICE Computer

The TRICE* computer is a DDA with a 100-kc iteration rate (number of integrations performed per second). It comprises a given number of integrators plus (1) a digital servo, (2) a variable multiplier to generate products of X and Y, (3) a ΔY summer that can receive up to six ΔY inputs and generate the sum, (4) a constant multiplier, and (5) a control unit, including 3-Mc clock generator and overflow detector.

Storage is provided by standard delay cable. Computing speed is independent of the size of the problem because all computing elements operate in parallel, like an analog computer. Physically one integrator is 9″ x 13¼″ x 20″ and uses about 85 transistors.

Sample Problem

Let us consider an example of Van der Pol's equation:

$$\ddot{x} + K(x^2 - 1)\dot{x} + x = 0$$
$$d\dot{x} = -K(x^2 - 1)\,dx - x\,dt$$

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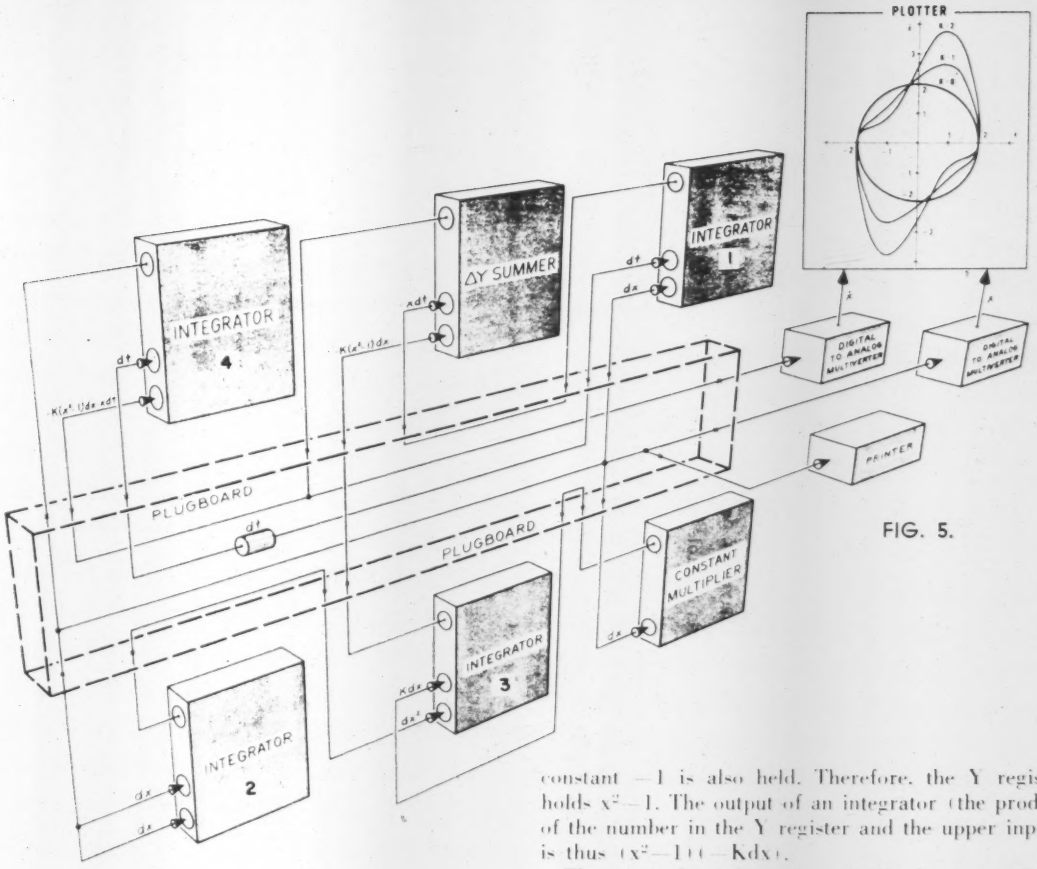

FIG. 5.

This equation represents a voltage loop in an oscillator circuit. The resistance term is $K(x^2 - 1)$. This term is positive when $x^2 < 1$ and is negative when $x^2 > 1$. The energy in the loop is increased when the resistance is negative and decreased when the resistance is positive. The equation has a stable oscillatory solution with the energy gains and losses cancelled for each value of K; in other words, each stable solution will be some form of a loop.

The block diagram (Fig. 5) shows the hardware required to solve this equation. The total number of components required are 4 integrators, 1 constant multiplier, and a ΔY summer.

Normally, the components would be interconnected by plugboard (symbolized by the heavy broken line). To show the exact flow of information in this diagram, the components have been connected by lines.

The basic variables are x and t. It is desired to plot x vs $\dot{x}$.

The two basic variables (x and t) are fed to integrator 1 at upper right in Fig. 5. The output is $-x\,dt$.

The dx input is also fed to the constant multiplier, which generates K dx for integrator 3.

Integrator 2 receives two dx inputs. The output therefore is xdx, which obviously is the same as $\frac{1}{2}d(x^2)$. The $\frac{1}{2}$ is taken care of by scaling so that the increments of output are effectively increments of dx^2.

The two inputs to Integrator 3 are $-Kdx$ and $d(x^2)$. The latter is added in the Y register where the constant -1 is also held. Therefore, the Y register holds $x^2 - 1$. The output of an integrator (the product of the number in the Y register and the upper input) is thus $(x^2 - 1)(-Kdx)$.

The output from the summer is $d\dot{x}$ (from equation), which is one of the desired variables. This is integrated against time in Integrator 4, whose output is $\dot{x}dt$. This is the same as dx, the second output.

Input into the computer for this problem could be made by any of the conventional means—typewriter, punched tape, etc. Output on this type of problem could be to two digital to analog "Multiverters" to an analog plotter. Normally, a series of solutions for various values of K would be plotted. When a satisfactory solution is reached, the digital values could be printed (via typewriter, line printer, punched tape, etc.). An actual plot of 3 stable solutions, (where $K = 0$, $K = 1$, $K = 2$) is shown on the plotter, which is plotting values of x and $\dot{x}$.

Applications

There are two broad areas of applications in which the DDA has been used:

The first category is as a design tool in the type of general computation and simulation normally conducted in computation centers. Typical problems would be in the fields of aerodynamic stability, control system stability, pilot plant simulation and missile trajectory studies.

The second area of application consists of using various elements of the computer combined into a special purpose computer for an operational system. Examples are: impact prediction, coordinate transformation for target acquisition, transformation of coordinate system for stabilizing devices such as radars, airborne guidance and control, etc.

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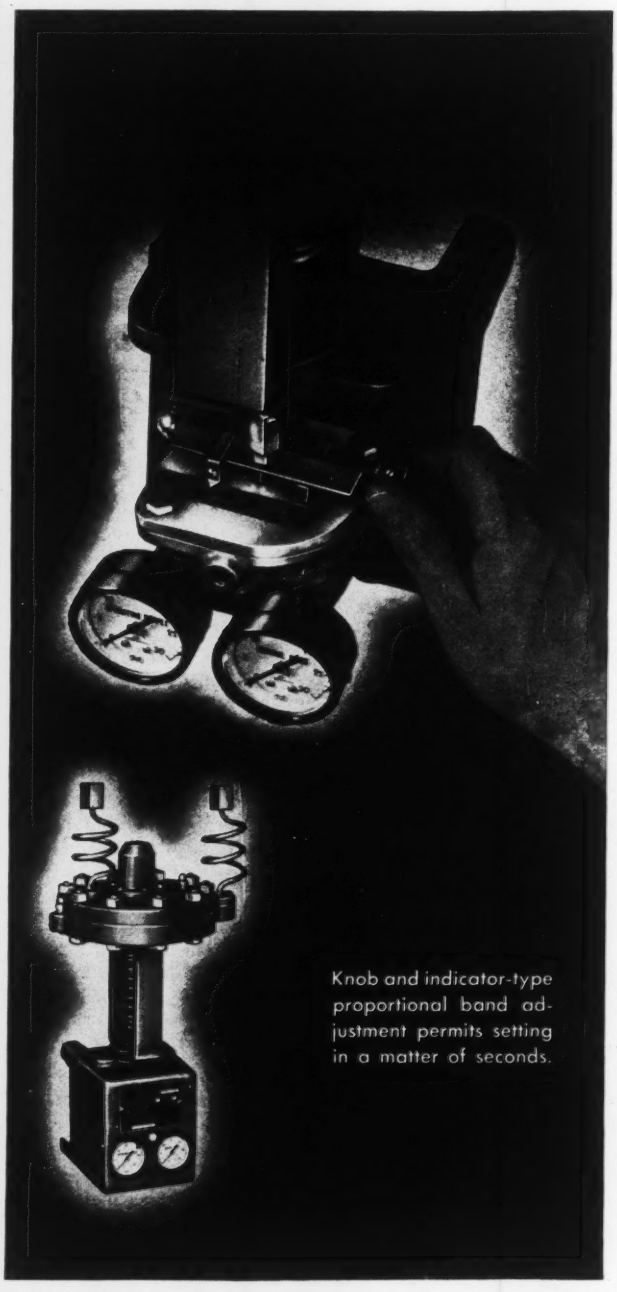

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VARIABLE BACK PRESSURE in exhaust system poses special problems to relief valves. The blowdown system also must be considered.

The basic equations for sizing relief valves given in Chapter 10 apply only to constant back pressure. In this case conventional valves can be used regardless of critical or noncritical flow.

Flow conditions will be critical* in most cases because most safety valves exhaust to a low or atmospheric pressure. It is desirable that all flow through safety and relief valves be critical because the discharge velocity is greatest. However, where safety valves discharge compressible fluids into closed header systems, the back pressure can rise to the point where flow becomes noncritical, and a back pressure correction factor must be applied (see Chapter 10). This correction factor should be used in the formula when the critical pressure ratio exceeds about 0.53 for gases and vapors, 0.58 for saturated steam, and 0.55 for moderately superheated steam. Curves for back-pressure correction factors for vapors and gases (K_v) and for liquids (K_w) are available for specific valves.

When valves are set at very low pressures, atmospheric back pressure (14.7 psia) results in loss of critical flow conditions. This occurs when set pressure is 10.7 psig saturated steam, and 9.5 psig for vapors and gases with a k = 1.001 (where $k = C_p/C_v$).

Balanced Design

Balanced valves have been designed to be actuated by inlet pressure alone. In the design, shown in Fig. 11-1, the pressure in the outlet acts only on the bellows seal which, owing to its convolutions, has as much area "up" as "down." Hence the output pressure exerts no force in the vertical direction, and the valve is insensitive to back pressure.

*Critical flow occurs when the back pressure (or the downstream pressure below a short nozzle or any orifice of well-rounded approach) is less than about ½ of the inlet pressure. In this region flow is independent of downstream pressure and depends only on the upstream pressure. When flow is *not* critical, the flow depends on the pressure differential.

The Blowdown System

Closed blowdown systems are considered as variable-back-pressure installations.

Variable back pressure can be of two different types (1) "built-up" back pressure, which is the system pressure created by flow from a given safety valve and the friction loss in its discharge, and (2) "superimposed" back pressure. The latter is encountered by a relief valve called upon to open in a manifold discharge piping system in which a back pressure exists either due to pressure purposely held in the system or owing to prior opening of other relief valves. In systems where these back pressures can reach values of 10% of the set pressure, chattering of conventional valves can result.

A relieving system may consist of from one to any number of relief valves manifolded into one common header for the prime purpose of safely disposing of vapors from overpressured equipment to a remote area of the plant site.

To adequately size the common header and the laterals from the relief valves, the designer must consider the following factors:

1. The ASME Unfired Pressure Vessel Code and other local, industry or regulatory codes.
2. Safety-relief valve characteristics and capacities. (The size of the valve depends on the pressure-differential across the valve with the percent accumulation available, as discussed previously.)

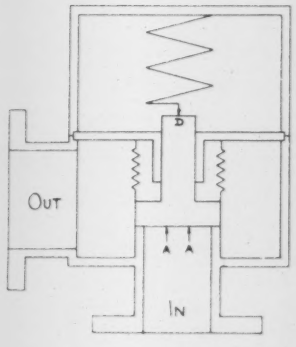

FIG. 11-1. BALANCED valve design.

3. Design pressure of the operating equipment associated with safety-relief valves.

4. Line capacities and line lengths.

5. Physical properties of the vapor to be relieved.

One method used to increase the permitted back pressure, when standard valves are used, is to lower the setting of a valve below the vessel design pressure. For example: Assume the design pressure of a vessel is 50 psig and the normal operating pressure is in the range of 5 psig. The relief valve may be set to open at, say, 30 psig, but is designed for full rated capacity at 55 psig (50 plus 10% of 50). This arrangement will now tolerate a backpressure, due to pressure drop, of 20 psig as against 5 psig based on the valve set at 50 psig with 10% accumulation. Consequently, the relief header may be designed for a smaller diameter pipe and use the same size valve as the one set for the 50-psig setting. However, chattering may occur under the given conditions.

The maximum carrying capacity of any line is limited by the acoustic velocity at the outlet of the pipe and in turn establishes the outlet pressure. Equations have been developed by Crocker* for solving the maximum pipe capacity of flowing vapors and gases.

A procedure for sizing vapor relieving systems is presented in API Report RP-520, dated 1955. A method developed by Joseph Conison of the Ralph M. Parsons Company has been accepted by the API as an alternate method to that in RP-520, and has the advantage of requiring only one calculation (as compared to the API method, which is based on trial and error).

*Piping Handbook, Sabin Crocker, 1945

B-58 VERTICAL VELOCITY INSTRUMENTATION

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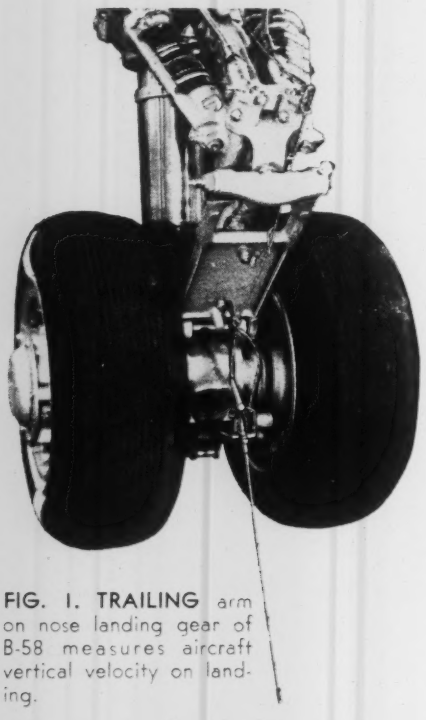

FIG. 1. TRAILING arm on nose landing gear of B-58 measures aircraft vertical velocity on landing.

AIRCRAFT LANDING-GEAR loads are affected by vertical velocity, aircraft weight and horizontal velocity. Aircraft weight and horizontal velocity measurements are relatively simple to obtain. Measuring vertical velocity at impact, however, presents design problems.

Initially, a system resembling that described in National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics TN 2906 was designed and built. This system consisted of a pivoted trailing arm with a small rubber-tired wheel mounted at its end. As the airplane settled to the runway, the trailing arm would move through an arc, operating a small potentiometer or Autosyn at its pivot point which would transmit the motion of the trailing arm to a recorder.

It was discovered during calibration that at expected magnitudes of vertical velocities the solid rubber-tired wheels developed a bounce; it was calculated that during landings of high vertical velocity the trailing arm would not return to the ground before landing gear contact.

It was decided to reduce the mass of the trailing arm as much as possible while meeting the requirement that there be no appreciable deflection in its length on contact. A workable compromise is shown in Fig. 1. The miniature truss is constructed of 0.090-gage spring-steel rod. The wheel is eliminated and the truss contacts and drags on landing.

A miniature null Autosyn attached to the trailing-arm pivot shaft transmits angular motion to a Sanborn recorder which gives a plot of trailing arm position versus time. The vertical velocity component at any time is calculated by comparison of the test tape with calibration record tapes. Vertical velocities to 8.8 ft/sec have been measured.

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CAPACITANCE AS A MEANS OF MEASUREMENT AND CONTROL

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CAPACITANCE is proportional to the area (A) of conductive surface acting as the capacitor plates, the dielectric constant (K) of the material between, and the inverse of the distance (D) between the plates (C = AK/D). Vary any of these three factors and capacitance is varied. This is the principle by which variable-capacitance measurements are made for indication and control.

Variable Area or Distance

Sensing mechanical position by capacitance change usually relies on a change in area or in distance between two objects.

When the motion of an object can cause a metallic surface to overlap another to varying degree, the position of the object changes the area of the opposing surfaces and thus their capacitance. When the movement is used to vary the distance between metal plates, then the varying distance between these plates will affect capacitance. These techniques have been used to detect mechanical travel, changes in minute distances, and frequency and amplitude of vibrations. However, area and distance variances have not found as wide application as variable *dielectric* in variable capacitance measurements.

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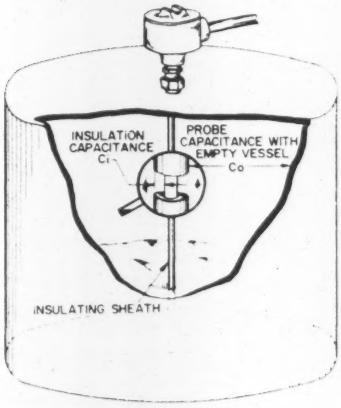


FIG. 1. PROBE WITH insulating sheath in tank.

Varying Dielectric Constant

Dielectric constant can be changed by changing the material between the plates or, for most materials, the moisture content of the material.

Moisture content to 0.1% of granular materials can be determined successfully by capacitance measurement. As moisture increases, the dielectric constant increases because water has a much higher K than that for the granular material. Drying operations can be controlled in this manner.

Change of dielectric constant occurs in level measurement too (Fig. 1). When level rises the material is being substituted for the air or gas that is present when the tank is empty. Interface level measurement can be accomplished in the same way — where the two materials have a different dielectric constant. Almost always, heavier materials have a higher K (except

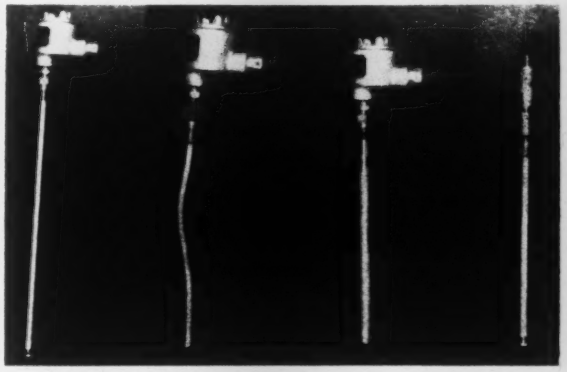


FIG. 2. TYPICAL ELECTRODE probes, including rigid, flexible, and insulated types.

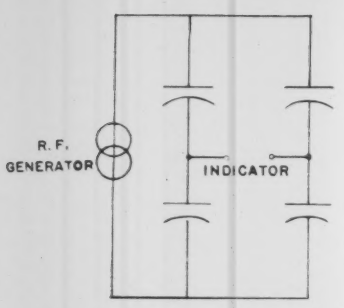


FIG. 3. BASIC capacitance bridge.

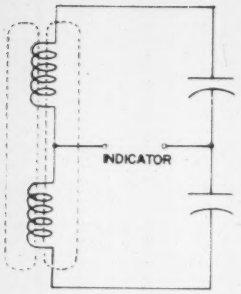


FIG. 4. MODIFIED BRIDGE with tuned oscillator.

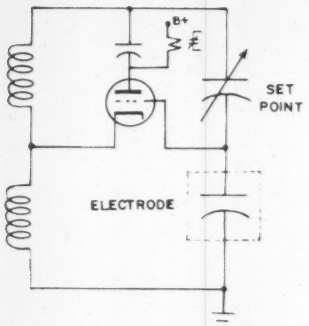


FIG. 5. VACUUM TUBE acts as capacitance relay.

for some few heavy hydrocarbons that are heavier than water but have a lower dielectric constant). Change of dielectric constant also occurs at the cut point when different materials are pumped thru a pipe line.

The Capacitance Transducer

The capacitance transducer or electrode (Fig. 2) is usually a rod or wire with an insulated mounting arrangement. A compression gland allows the rod or wire to be insulated and yet be sealed against leaks at positive or negative pressures. Stainless steel is almost always employed for the rod because of its corrosion resistance, although aluminum, Hastelloy and all types of metals (even Haveg) have been used. Teflon's corrosion resistance, imperviousness to most chemicals and resistance to deposit formation make it the front runner among the insulating materials. Kel-F is excellent for low-temperature applications.

Electrodes can be rigid, flexible, sheathed or ruggedized. They can be made for high temperatures to 2500° F. for high pressures to 25,000 psig, and in varying lengths from 2" to 150' or longer. Long flexible electrodes can be dangled into tanks and simply weighted or fixed at both ends.

The concentrically sheathed electrode requires that the material to be measured must get into the space between the outer grounded sheath and the center electrode. More often the electrode is a single rod and the tank becomes the other plate. Normally, the change of capacitance per unit length along the electrode is the same so the electrode develops a linear change of capacitance with level. The position of the electrode in the tank or pipe has only a slight effect on the operation of the electrode.

The electrode is placed so as to be clear of incoming material, agitators, etc. Electrodes can be positioned horizontally for fixed level control, vertically, or at some angle for continuous level measurement.

Electrode Sensitivity

An important consideration in electrodes is the measuring sensitivity—how much capacitance change is caused by a change of say, one foot of level of material at any given dielectric constant. A larger center rod or a thinner wall insulation increase the capacitance change per foot of level. Different insulating materials on the rod or wire cause different sensitivities. Sensitivity of a given electrode varies too, depending on the diameter of the vessel in which it is installed. Generally, if the vessel exceeds 14" diameter, the sensitivity is the same as in a 14" diameter pipe. A good round number for sensitivity, generally used on a standard Teflon-covered rod or flexible electrode, is 35 $\mu\mu$f/ft. In an aqueous solution a standard 6" electrode for on-off control provides a change of 15 $\mu\mu$f or more in water. In low-dielectric material this may be only 2 or 3 $\mu\mu$f.

Electrical energy levels in the electrode are 200 to 500 times below the minimum ignition energy level for methane gas. The electrode is intrinsically safe when used with capacitance bridge equipments.

Capacitance Bridges

Almost all types of dependable, accurate, capacitance-sensitive instruments employ a capacitance bridge circuit. The basic bridge comprises four capacitances in two pairs connected across an a-c voltage source (Fig. 3). The voltage source should be alternating and have a high frequency—100 kc and upward. Frequencies near the 500-kc range are used for short rods; 100 kc for long rods. For small capacitance changes such as occur in moisture measurement, frequencies up to 27 Mc can be used. Power-line frequencies of 60 and 400 cps have been used. However, the measuring currents become so small that leakage currents often mask the true measurement. Insulators become impractical at these power-line frequencies as accumulated dust can provide a low-leakage path. This problem is overcome when using frequencies above 100 kc. The signal level of process-measuring capacitance bridges is so low that no measurable radiation results.

Capacitance bridge can comprise two pairs of capacitances, or one pair of capacitors and the other pair either resistors or inductors (Fig. 4). Such an LC circuit can be tuned to the measuring radio-frequency signal. The bridge balance is determined by the measuring electrode and the output signal is converted into a control signal either to operate an electronic relay (Fig. 5), or to control a motor circuit, or to indicate on a panel meter.

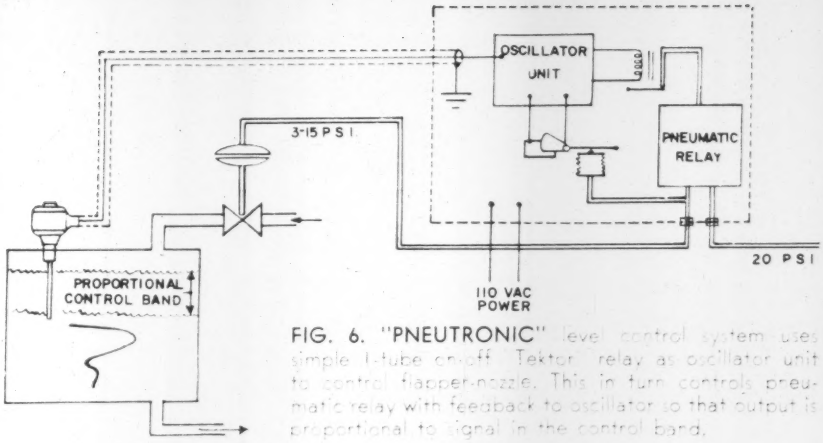
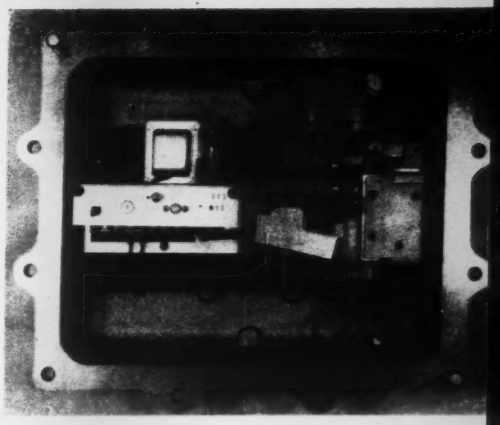


FIG. 6. "PNEUTRONIC" level control system uses simple 1-tube on-off Tektor relay as oscillator unit to control flapper-nozzle. This in turn controls pneumatic relay with feedback to oscillator so that output is proportional to signal in the control band.



Capacitance bridge instruments can provide the following services:

1. On-off relay alarm and control service
2. Continuous level indication on a panel meter
3. Continuous level recording and controlling

Control can be on-off electric, on-off pneumatic, narrow-band proportional pneumatic, or wide-band proportional pneumatic; it also can have reset and rate actions. A retransmitting slidewire is available for remote slave units. Fig. 6 shows a proportional pneumatic control system.

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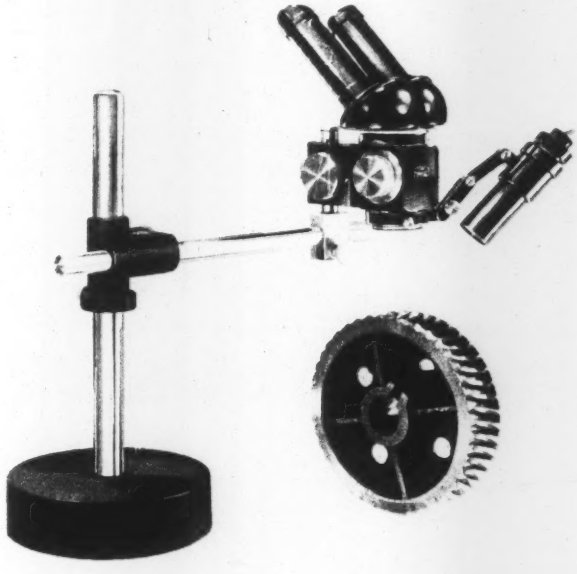
Sensitivity

Sensitivities of approximately 1 $\mu\mu$f are standard, with stability such that the control point doesn't vary for months. When used with a 6" electrode providing a change much greater than the instrument sensitivity, variations due to drift are never evidenced.

Magnitudes of sensitivity vary from full-scale deflection caused by a change of 5 $\mu\mu$f. to full scale caused by a change of 2000 $\mu\mu$f. Practical measurements of level can be made from several inches for full scale to several hundred feet for full scale.

The transmitted signal has a magnitude of approximately one millianipere d-c full-scale with a bridge output of approximately 5 volts maximum. This value is sufficiently large so that stray fields have negligible effect and yet is small enough to be of no hazard.



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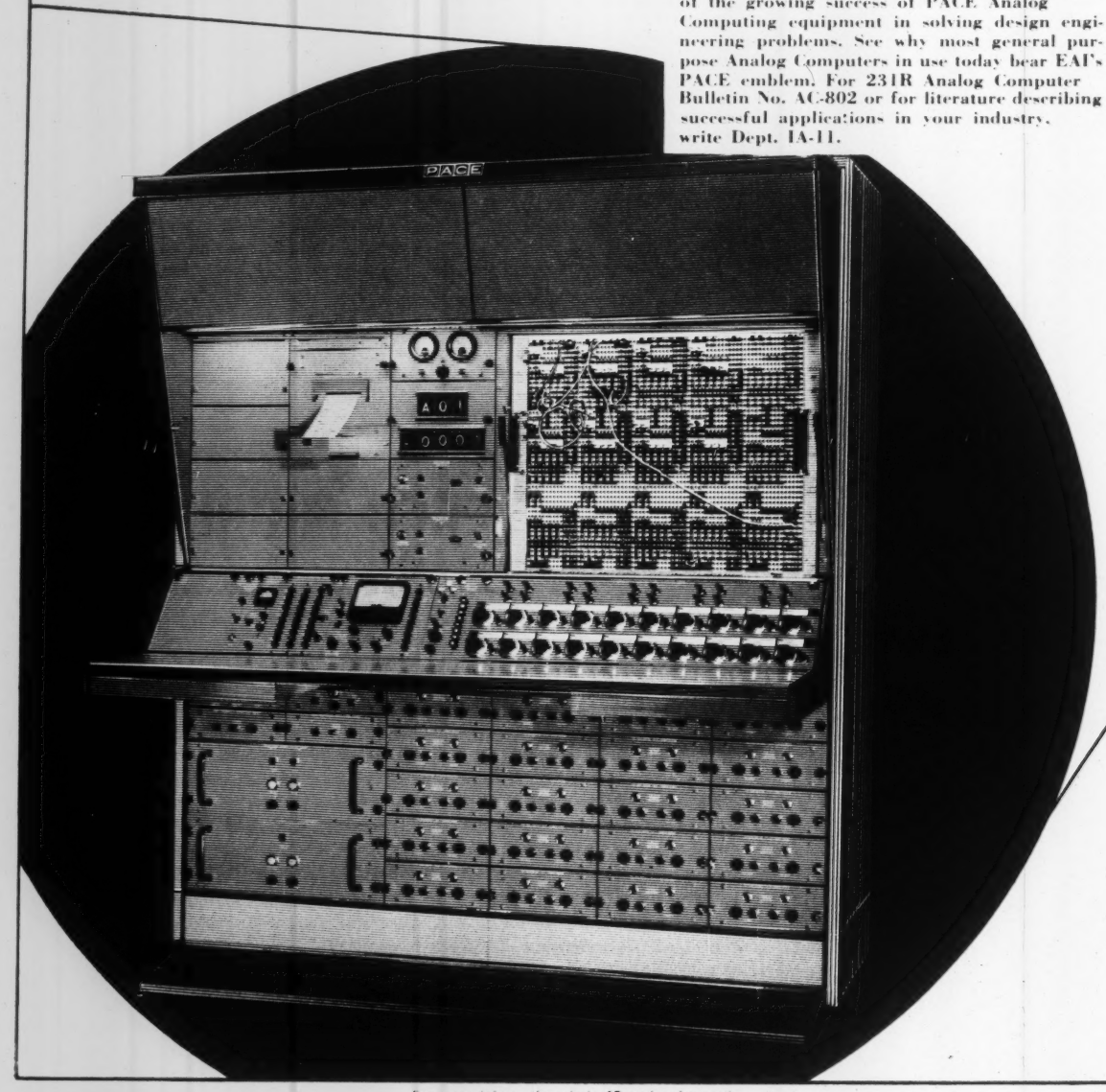

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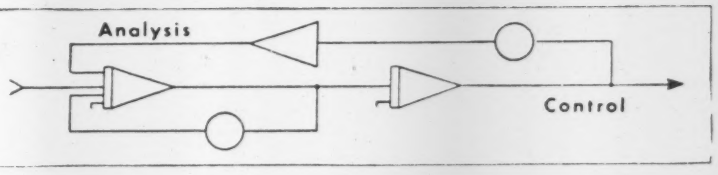

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This month we offer an account of the Western Simulation Council meeting of 11 September 1958, which was held at Convair-Astronautics in San Diego. Facts and figures (some of them rather astonishing) on Astro's computing facilities were presented by *Walter Schwidetzky* and *Walter Varner*. These were followed by an erudite discussion entitled "Is Your Computer a Pseudologist?" Among those who advised us how to catch the lying so-and-sos red-handed were *Bob Horwitz* (Equipment Maintenance), *H Dinkle* (Patchboard Verifier), *Ken Tuttle* (FASE checking techniques), and *Milt Warshawsky* (the new WADC facility).

Pieces

WESTERN S/C MEETING OF 11 SEPTEMBER AT CONVAIR-ASTRONAUTICS

About 60 people accepted the Convair-Astronautics invitation to hold a meeting in the plush Astronautics Presentation Room in their new plant on the edge of San Diego, and to visit the new Computers and Simulation Laboratories.

Dr. Walter Schwidetzky, Chief of Computers and Simulation, welcomed the group and gave a brief description of the new Astronautics facility. Some of the facts:

There are some 1.13×10^{25} square Angstrom units of floor space located on a site about 1.5×10^{13} light years across. The plant took less than 20 millicenturies to build and cost about 4×10^{13} microbucks.*

*And the entire establishment is located in a gravitational field of approximately 7×10^{8} miles per hour a year.—Ed.

Walter Varner, head of the Flight Simulation Lab and Computers, who was host for the meeting, then gave us some more familiar-sounding facts about the Astro computation facility, which is one of the largest combined analog and digital computing labs in the Western World. (We don't know exactly what "the competition" has.)

The two laboratories combined have about 21,102 square feet of floor space. They are adjacent to each other and to the Data Processing Station, which furnishes much of the data used in the computations.

In the analog lab there is about $2^1/_4$ million dollars' worth of analog equipment, mostly Electronic Associates. This amounts to about 553 operational amplifiers and beaucoup output and auxiliary equipment.

In two adjacent rooms there is about $63,000 per month's worth of rental digital equipment which includes an IBM 704 and a 650 with all of the key-punch, tab machine, and other auxiliary equipment necessary for efficient operation.

Also in the analog laboratory are two DDA's, the Addaverter (which is the quarter-million dollar "translator" that allows the analog and digital computers to be used in combination) and a "central" patch-bay which will allow analog, digital, and data-processing equipment to be inter- and/or intra-connected.

The computer labs, which employ nearly 100 people, are administratively connected under Walter Varner and the computer and data-processing labs under Walter Schwidetzky.

Horwitz on Maintenance

Bob Horwitz, Analog Computer Group Engineer at Astronautics, next talked on equipment maintenance in his lab.

Bob's group consider their maintenance program important not just because it helps increase reliability and reduce costs, though these are tangible and well-recognized results, but more because of the less tangible and more important factor of opera-

tor confidence. In short, no confidence, no customers, no good!

Bob sketched a typical reliability curve which started at some finite value, rose rather steeply through a region A, leveled off through a region B, and then gradually declined through a region C.

The rise in A is the result of elimination of new equipment bugs, while at the same time the engineers, technicians, and operators are getting used to said equipment. The B region represents maturity of the equipment and the C, old age involving wear-out and replacement with new components with reliability in the A region.

In the Astro analog laboratory they attempt to extend the B region by:

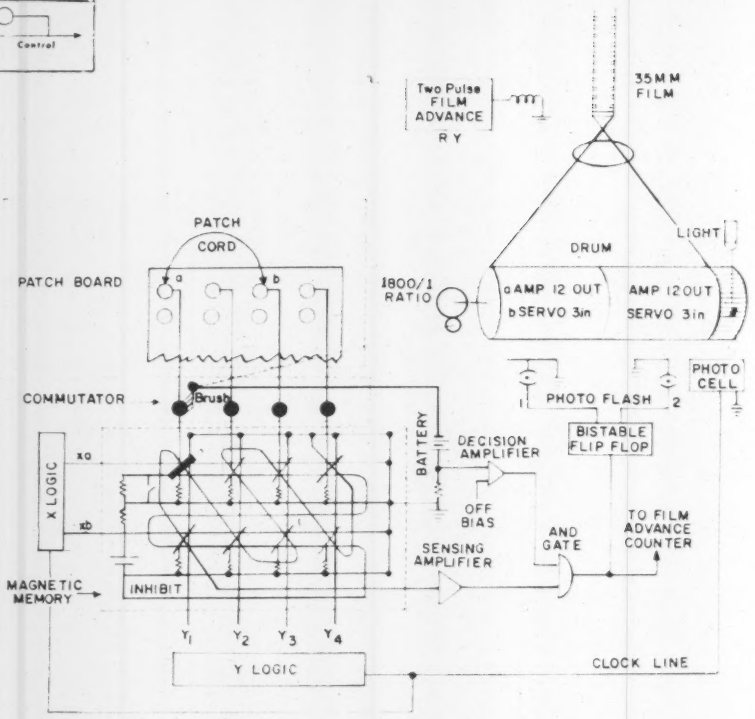
1. *Preventive maintenance* involving a morning checkout, which is in fact just a tolerance check, and various other routine checks and calibrations.

2. *Emergency maintenance* which involves having technicians in the area who unobtrusively hover over operators (operators don't like to call for help.*)

3. *Bench maintenance* in which units replaced for any reason are repaired and calibrated. Complete records are kept of this work, and if these indicate chronic weaknesses appropriate modifications are made. To facilitate this work there are specially-designed test benches for all major components—amplifiers, power supplies, servos and resolvers, electronic multipliers, and function generators.

Bob concluded by saying "Our rather extensive experience at Astro has taught us *not* to do certain things: (1) Don't handle the equipment more than necessary; don't plug or unplug unless you must. (2) Don't believe a tube checker. The best checker is the unit in which the tube is supposed to operate. (3) Rotational preventive maintenance is no good. We tried it in the San Diego Division, and our tube requirements went up by a factor of 10. Other failures went up by the same factor. (4) 90% of computer trouble is human; 9% tubes, diodes, and relays; 1% is miscellaneous."

*Because the trouble is most likely their fault—take it from this old operator.—Ed.



Astronautics Patch-Board Verifier

Bob then asked *Al Dinkle*, an engineer in the Analog Computer Group, to describe the Astronautics patch-board verifier.

Dinkle on Patch-Board Verifier

"The function of a patch-board verifier is primarily to catch human errors," Al began. "Not just errors such as getting a plug in the wrong hole, but errors like failing to record changes."

It is easy to see how the latter human shortcoming could play havoc with multi-shift operation. One shift makes a change for a special purpose—the next shift gets unexpected results. How come? The Astro patch-board verifier was designed to answer with a printed list of all connections in ten minutes although actually, because some components do not operate at specified speeds, it might take as long as thirty minutes.

Operation of the Astronautics patch-board verifier involves the following components:

1. The patch-board, having 1800 holes, or possible patching positions.

2. The patch-board receiver, with 1800 contacts.

3. An 1800-core memory with 45 x and 40 y drive lines and 1800 individual core drive lines.

4. A commutator having 1800 segments each connected to one of the receptacle contacts and, through the individual core drive lines and resistors, to ground.

5. Scanning logic to successively energize all combinations of x and y memory-core drive lines.

6. A drum to generate "clock" pulses for the scanning logic, and to carry two identical columns describing the 1800 patch-board positions. It also drives the commutator through an 1800-to-1 mechanical linkage.

7. A camera and optical system to photograph the patch-board position descriptions on the drum.

8. A battery, decision amplifier, sensing amplifier, AND gate, bistable flip-flop, and two photoflash lights wired as shown in the diagram.

The operation of the verifier is based on the rather reasonable assumption that every patch-wire has two—and only two—ends, and that they are both supposed to be plugged in; dangling wires will not register.

So let us suppose that there is a patch cord from any patch-board position a, which may be the output of amplifier 12, to any position b, which may be the input to servo 3.

All memory cores are set to the "1" state at the beginning of each commutator cycle. When the commutator arm reaches a, two things happen:

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New Importance of Linear Dynamic Accuracy

Two recent developments have increased the need for high linear dynamic accuracy. One is the appearance of speedy electronic multipliers and resolvers. In the past, sluggish servo equipment often placed so low a limit on computational frequency that high frequency linear accuracy was irrelevant. Now, high linear accuracy at frequencies up to 50 cps has become very important in non-linear as well as in linear problems.

Another stimulating development is the widespread adoption of statistical methods for investigating missile performance. In this application quick solutions requiring accuracy at frequencies of 20 to 50 cps are essential if one is to simulate hundreds of missile flights in a reasonable period.

How to Evaluate Linear Dynamic Accuracy

The major source of dynamic error in modern summing amplifiers is phase shift. Only one degree phase shift in a sinusoidal signal will create a maximum error of 0.87% of peak-to-peak voltage. In a high accuracy computer phase shift should be well below one degree—preferably only a few hundredths of a degree.

When examining phase characteristics, it is well to remember that most amplifiers will be used in conjunction with a coefficient potentiometer. Consequently, the critical characteristic is phase shift *from pot input to summer output* at the patchboard terminals. This deserves special emphasis because efforts to produce high stability, while not inimical to low phase shift in the summing amplifier itself, may create a large phase shift through the coefficient potentiometer.

How Ease Engineers Achieve Low Phase Shift

Phase shift at normal operating frequencies is caused by input and feedback resistances with differing a.c. characteristics. This can be overcome by obtaining resistors with carefully-controlled parasitic capacitance, then adding sufficient capacitance in parallel with each to produce equal time constants. Because equal time constants can be created with balancing input and feedback capacitances of almost any magnitude, the independent question arises as to how large the value should be. Here we find we must reconcile conflicting objectives. Stability will improve as the feedback capacity is increased up to a certain point (approximately 100$\mu\mu$f across 1M in the case of EASE amplifiers). On the other hand, as we raise input capacity to balance increased feedback capacity, we get a progressively larger phase shift through the coefficient potentiometer.

This situation calls for careful selection of an optimum value. EASE computer engineers have selected a value at which phase shift through the pot is approximately the same as possible phase shift through the summing amplifier itself. (Amplifier phase shift is due to variations in parasitic capacitance and compensating capacitance within component tolerances.) Optimum compensating capacitance for 1M input and feedback resistors turns out to be about 40$\mu\mu$f. This reduces maximum phase shift *from pot input to summing amplifier output* to within ± .02° at 10 cps with unity gain and any pot displacement from 0.15 to 1.0. Phase shift this low creates dynamic accuracy of approximately .02% at 10 cps. Possible error increases approximately linearly as frequency is raised.

The resultant stability is such that three typical amplifiers can be connected at the patchboard in a loop with loop gain raised to between 4 and 9 before oscillation occurs. Correspondingly, a single one-megohm inverter will not oscillate until output to ground capacitance exceeds 1μf.

A Simple Circuit for Testing Phase Shift

Phase shift can be tested by patching-in the three-amplifier oscillator circuit diagramed in figure 1. The frequency of oscillation can be set anywhere from approximately 1 cps to 50 cps by adjusting the potentiometer. If all operational components were perfect this circuit would create a sine wave of unvarying amplitude. Imperfections cause amplitude to increase or decrease slowly with time. Factors influencing this change are:

1. Phase shift from pot input to summer output.
2. Phase shift due to integrator input resistors.
3. Integrator capacitor dissipation.

Thus, the circuit affords a ready means of comparing analog computers with respect to these characteristics. Although the first factor cannot be easily isolated, a low rate of increase or decrease indicates that it, as well as the other two factors, is contributing very little error.

The EASE 1100 Series computer has been extensively tested by means of this oscillator circuit. Figure 2 shows the results of these tests.

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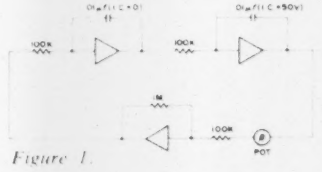

Figure 1.

Figure 1. A patched-in oscillator circuit for testing phase shift. A low rate of change in amplitude indicates low phase shift.

Figure 2. Performance of oscillator circuit shown in Figure 1 when patched-up on the EASE 1100 Series computer. Graph shows rate of change in amplitude at selected operating frequency.

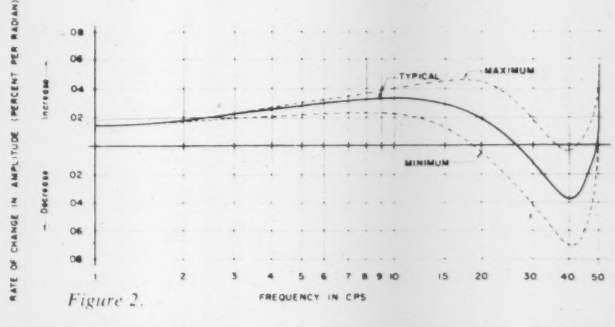

Figure 2.

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(1) current flows from the battery through contact a *and* contact b (because of the patch-cord) and through cores a and b, and their respective resistors to ground, and (2) because two paths are simultaneously energized, the decision amplifier energizes one-half of the AND gate.

Meanwhile the scanning logic is successively energizing all combinations of the x and y core drive lines in synchronization with the drum rotation. When x_a and y_a are simultaneously energized, the magnitude and direction of the currents in cores a and b are such that they, together with the current from the commutator, create a magnetic field strong enough to change the polarity of core a, thus causing a pulse in the sensing winding. This pulse, amplified in the sensing amplifier, energizes the other half of the AND gate, thus firing, through the flip-flop, one of the photoflashes just as the description of a, "Amp 12 out", is in position to be photographed by the camera.

Some time later, in the same scanning cycle, x_b and y_b will be simultaneously energized just as the description of contact b, "Servo 3 in", is in position to be photographed. This time, however, the flip-flop causes the *other* photoflash to operate, which places the image on the film in line with, but not on top of, the description of a, so that the line on the film will read "Amp 12 out Servo 3 in".

A counter, operating after each second gate pulse, then advances the film as the commutator arm is advanced by the drum linkage. However, when some time later the commutator reaches b no sensing pulse results because the b core has already been changed to the "0" state. Thus no record is duplicated.

Tuttle on EASE Checkout

Ken Tuttle, manager of the Beckman-Berkeley Los Angeles Computing Center, next described the EASE automatic checkout equipment installed at his facility. Ken's explanation of the static and dynamic checks, supported by blackboard sketches, was lucid and interesting to those not familiar with the EASE system. However, as the system has been previously described in the *Newsletter** and elsewhere in the literature we will not repeat it here.

*July 1956.

Warshawsky on Pseudology

Milt Warshawsky, who normally holds forth with the Midwestern Simulation Council, followed Ken on this Western program. Milt was invited to come out to California to participate in our discussion of "Is Your Computer A Pseudologist?" because of his extensive experience with such matters at Wright Air Development Center.

"Thank you for your invitation to meet with the Western Simulation Council," Milt began. "At WADC we are in an area to the left of area A on Bob Horwitz's diagram; an area in which we turn on the computer and fuses blow! I assume, Bob, that you were talking about a completely developed computer – ours is still under development."

Milt and his group were able to accomplish something many of us dream about. They convinced the "powers that be" that they couldn't expand the existing mixed facility satisfactorily. They were therefore able to start from scratch to design a large system to suit their particular requirements. The result is a nice-looking installation of four identical computers with four operating stations in the corners and a control station with the patch-board verifier.

Each station has two identical patch-boards of about 2500 holes and can be used autonomously or in combination with other stations.

The equipment, built by Reeves Instrument Company to Air Force specs, includes 160 integrators, 196 summers, 144 inverters (associated with other computer components, but available for computing), 50 servo multipliers (some with tapped pots for functional generation), 32 ten-segment diode function generators, 16 servo resolvers, and 24 electronic multipliers.

The electronic multipliers are of the square-law type, and incorporate a rather interesting feature. To improve the generation of the parabolic function beyond that obtainable by straight-line approximation, they superimpose a triangular wave dither voltage on the input. This gives perfect parabolic interpolation. Of course, in theory a perfect parabola would be obtained by using just a single diode and a triangular wave sweeping between 0 and 100 volts. Actually five diodes are used.

Milt referred to *Hans Meissinger's* paper on the generation of a function of two variables, saying they have that type, but have gone one step farther by providing for automatic setting of diode function generators by means of a Flexowriter or punched tape. This contract was let on 1 June 1955, Milt said, and the computer was to be completed and accepted by 1 June 1956. On 1 June 1957 they received the first station! The last shipment of equipment came in about the first of 1958 and they are still engaged in the process of finding bugs while Reeves makes like Henry with the Flit.

"We had been turning out computer solutions but we didn't know whether they were right or not," Milt continued. "Our only real check was to see if they looked reasonable. This doesn't induce long life and peace of mind.

"By way of contrast, I had been led to believe that digitals had built-in checks, and when they turned out solutions they could tell you about confidence factors, etc. This has not proved to be the case. We have had many instances in which we compared differing solutions and it turned out that the digital solutions were the ones that were way off. We are not in worse shape, and have not been in worse shape than the digital people."

Milt said that with their new computer they wanted to be sure their results were valid. They also wanted to be sure that the problem on the machine was one they wanted to solve, and they wanted to know whether they were using the computer in its optimum region. To these ends there are several special features.

On November 1, 1953 they built a prototype plug-board verifier, and were in business by March of '54. However, there are other ways an operator can go wrong besides plugging in the wrong hole.* A patch cord may be open electrically. Or, because they use shielded patch cords, there is the possibility of shorts between hot line and ground. Their verifier takes nine minutes to scan 500 cords and show such things. The length of time it takes to scan the entire board of course depends on the number of patch cords. A 2500-hole board with no cords takes 50 seconds to scan. Each cord present adds one second to the scanning time. A Clary adding machine is used for printing.

To further reduce human errors there is the *Reeves Problem Check*, an extremely powerful tool for determining that the computer elements are operating properly, that all pots are set correctly, that patch cords are connected properly, and that input

*Oh!?? Ed.

resistors are right. This requires some previous desk calculator work. The Problem Check pots are servo-set by a Flexowriter tape, so that when the tape is once put in, the Problem Check pots are standing by with proper voltage and polarity. Any time the operator wants to check he pushes a button "PC", and he is back in Problem Check. The relays which hold the voltage are electrically locked and the power supply is maintained 24 hours a day, even if the line power fails or if the power is turned off the computer. This is to insure that the capacitor ovens will have constant power. If the capacitors are allowed to cool off drastically and are then reheated, the capacitance will be changed. There is also a capacity check similar to that mentioned by Tuttle in describing the EASE.

So that the operator can be sure he is working in the optimum region for the computer, there is a *Maximum Excursion Indicator*. This is a counterpart of the overload indicator we are all familiar with. Before this computer was built no one seemed to give attention to *under*load. Signals might be buried below noise. If it requires one minute per element to observe computer excursions and if there were 1000 elements to observe, one could spend several days in checking. Milt's method consists of a light associated with each element which stays on until the voltage level of each element reaches a bias value which has been set anywhere from zero to 50 volts. There are two such adjustments—one for servos, one for amplifiers. When the minimum is reached the light goes out. After a run the operator checks, and any lights still on indicate that the minimum threshold was not reached.

There is also a time-scale check to insure that no frequencies encountered in a solution are exceeding the capabilities of the servos. By flipping a switch the operator can slow problem solution time by a factor of two. Thus if a solution obtained at half speed checks with a normal solution, you can assume that the normal speed is satisfactory.

One of the very important things Milt's group wants to monitor is the reference supply. At each station there is a 100-volt error indicator: an unbalance of five millivolts is enough to cause lights to light, bells to ring, etc., etc.

A universal test stand which permits dynamic checking of components in the rack also has been received. For power supply checks they can move up a dummy load box, throw a switch on the power supply, phase the power into the dummy load, and determine whether the malfunction is due to the supply or the load.

The Flexowriter system provides a way to set scale pots, Problem Check pots, and diode function generators, and to read out the connections of the computer elements. In connection with pot readout, a tape is prepared which can later be used as a command tape so that pots can be reset to the value they had when they were read. These automatic features are primarily for the purpose of two-shift operation where the second shift is working on different problems.

Milt says that he is pretty well convinced that they can take a full-capacity problem off the computer and substitute another full-capacity problem, reset everything, submit the machine to problem check, and be ready to operate in less than an hour. A punched tape also can feed selected input voltages into the function generators and the outputs can be typed back for comparison with the desired ones. It is not necessary to use a plotting board to verify the function generator setup.

They have found it is the little things that require the closest check. The noise measurements and so forth were easy to make and fell within specs. The bugs were points you would never consider looking for. One of the biggest difficulties was that of reliability of patch-board contacts. It was necessary to make major modifications in these. The original plugs had nylon tips and an undercut contact area so that plugs could be changed while energized without danger of shorting against the grounded metal patch board. However, these proved unreliable, so it was necessary to sacrifice the safety of post-patching and go back to standard plugs.

The boards are big—six panels of Remington-Rand boards, each with 300-some holes, about half of which are used.

Irwin Pfeffer (Space Technology Laboratories, Los Angeles, Calif.) commented at this time that he had just figured that when the WADC computer reached the B portion of Bob Horwitz's reliability curve, they could expect about 10^7 micro-years at nearly 10^5 millipercent efficiency, but that it would take them about 5×10^{-6} megayears to get into production.

This broke up the meeting, so the group had coffee and then went on a tour of the computer facilities, where they were shown a simple demonstration of analog-to-digital-to-analog conversion with the Adda-verter.

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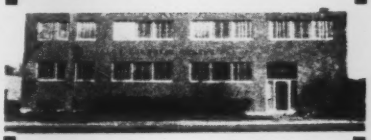

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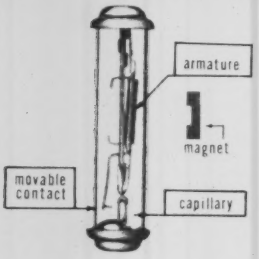

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Received a large tome from *Mark E. Connelly* of the Servomechanisms Laboratory of MIT entitled "Simulation of Aircraft", which is the result of a program sponsored by the U. S. Naval Training Device Center of Port Washington, New York. Your Editor is hardly a final authority on such matters, but it would seem that this is the most comprehensive treatment of the general problem of aircraft simulation available. Copies may be ordered from the Center.

We are also in receipt of *Le Calcul Analogique Par Courants Continus* by Danloux Dumesnils, who is a professor at the Ecole Nationale Supérieure de l'Aéronautique (Dunod, Editeur, 92, Rue Bonaparte, Paris). Your Editor can't read French and your Secretary is not proficient in Computer, so we can't say for sure, but it would seem from the illustrations that this is an excellent text on the analog computing art, sort of a French Korn and Korn.

He Went Thataway:

Bill Gunning to Epsco-West, 125 East Orangethorpe Avenue, Anaheim, California, where he is Technical Director.

Errata, or He Didn't Go Thataway:

We have a letter from Eric Weiss of the Sun Oil Company:

"I appreciate your recognition of the fact that I am with the Sun Oil Company at Newtown Square but, since I have been here for 13 years, I found the headline 'He Went Thataway' rather strange.

"Perhaps the fact that our names are the same has led you to confuse me with a recent employee of Daystrom at La Jolla. Although I believe that I can prove prior use of the name, I do not plan to make an issue of the matter and instead will try to minimize future confusion by signing myself as Eric A. Weiss."

Computer Events

Western Simulation Council

Date: 13 November 1958, 1:00 PM
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Western Joint Computer Conference

Dates: 3-5 March 1959
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Midwestern Simulation Council

(a) Business Meeting, Tuesday, December 9, 1958, MAECON Show, Kansas City, Missouri.
(b) "Computers in Control" Monday, February 2, 1959, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Sponsor, Phillips Petroleum Company, L. H. Freeman, Technical Program Chairman.
(c) "Non Linear Control Systems" Monday, May 11, 1959, Manhattan, Kansas. Sponsor, Kansas State College, Charles J. Halijak, Technical Program Chairman.
(d) "Computer Administration, Environments, and Physical Facilities" Monday, October 5, 1959, St. Louis, Missouri. Sponsor, McDonnell Aircraft Company, Bruce H. Estes, Technical Program Chairman.

High-Speed Computer Conference

Dates: 10-13 February 1959
Place: Louisiana State University Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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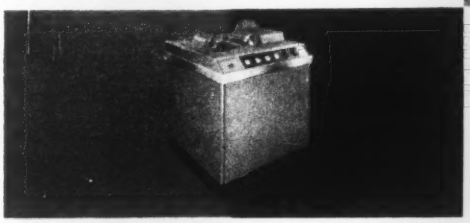

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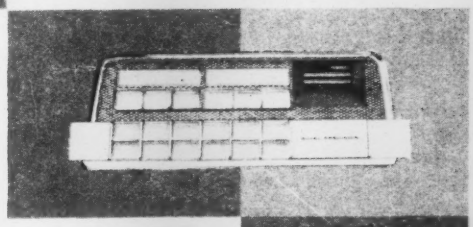

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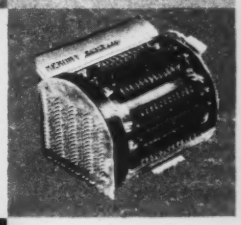

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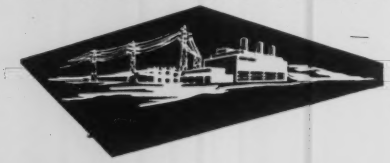

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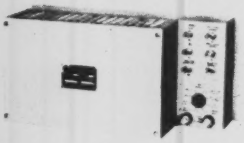

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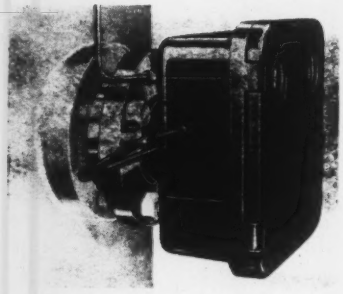

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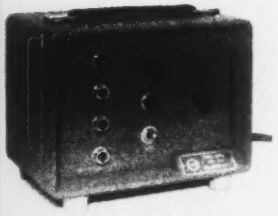

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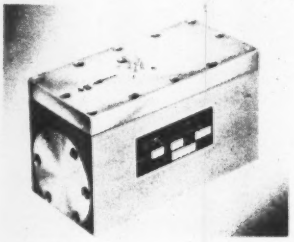

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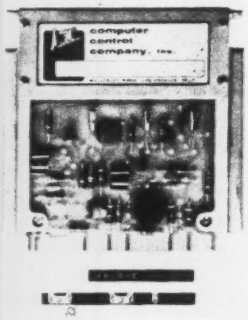

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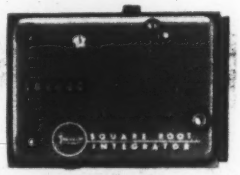

earity of 0.25% and repeatability of 0.05%, both of full scale. The integrator has an input shaft torque of 0.35 in-oz maximum and a shaft rotation of 18 30'. A pulse switch driven by the counter shaft provides information to remote counters, telemetering or data handling systems.—*Librascope, Inc., Commercial Div., 40 East Verdugo Ave., Burbank, Calif.*

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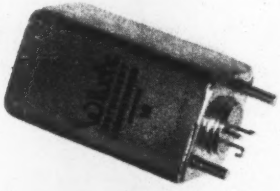

of approximately 10 kohms into a grid. FP2B filters operate from a typical cathode follower or other 500- to 600-ohm source into a grid. Toroidal inductors are used for linearity and freedom from stray field effects.—2-page Bulletin FP2 contains details.—*White Instrument Labs., Box 9006, Allandale Station, Austin 17, Texas*

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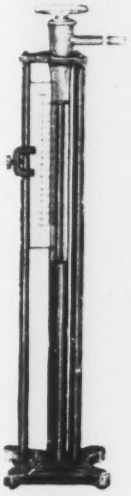

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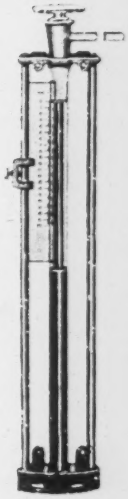

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The Welch-Dubrovin Gauges are made in two basic types. One 9 times and the other 6 times as sensitive as a mercury manometer. Because of this "magnifying factor," the gauge is as sensitive as a manometer which uses a liquid of low density, but has the advantage of using mercury which dissolves very few organic or inorganic vapors and which requires no conversion factor. Unlike mechanical or optical magnifying devices, any small errors due to capillarity, adhesion, etc., are not magnified. The smallest division on the 9-to-1 type is 0.2 mm and on the 6-to-1 type is 0.5 mm of Hg. Fractions of these values may be estimated. Both types are available with Pyrex-brand or soft glass in either table or wall mounting.

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In each Hawk missile launcher developed by Northrop Aircraft Inc., two Servonic H-42 pressure transducers provide damping in the servo systems which operate the azimuth and elevation controls. A radar impulse furnishes guidance and slews the missile carriage to the proper position for launch. The Servonic transducer senses the pending oscillation in the hydraulic system due to the inertia of the moving mass and applies a correction signal to the servo amplifiers controlling hydraulic pressure so that each oscillation is counteracted. This provides a stable motion as the platform is brought to rest in the correct firing attitude.

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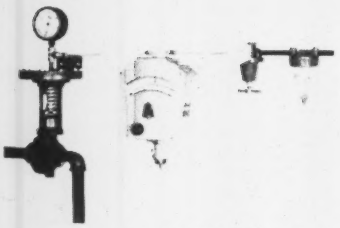
INDICATING AND RECORDING CONTROLLER



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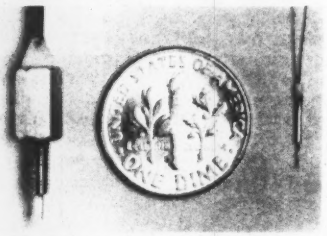
New pneumatic, mercury-actuated indicating controller (illustrated) features adjustable throttling range, 3 to 20% and a built-in failsafe device to shut-down the air valve in case of failure of air supply.—Detailed specifications are contained in Bulletin 342.—★ New Model RVA pneumatic recording temperature controller for industrial applications featuring a 10" circular chart and adjustable throttling range, 3 to 20% is actuated by a mercury-filled thermal element.—Bulletin 242 contains details.—*The Partlow Corp., 508 Campion Rd., New Hartford, N. Y.*

MINIATURE SURFACE TC

New coaxial thermocouples, 0.015" in diameter, to measure surface temperatures of metal walls with less than one microsecond delay, are threaded or clamped in the wall so that the thermal junction is aligned with the surface. In the Pt Pt-Rh type a platinum-rhodium alloy can be used simultaneously as the protection tube.—*The Matech Co., Box 6009, Kansas City 10, Mo.*



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DIGITAL BUILDING BLOCKS

New transistorized Digital Systems Building Blocks for both high and low frequency have compatible signals, thus permitting both type units in one system. High frequency units will operate at any frequency up to 5 megacycles.—*Digital Equipment Corp., Maynard, Mass.*

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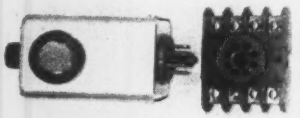

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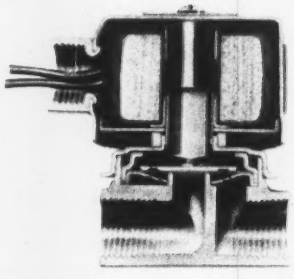
New Model R Photorelay incorporating hermetically-sealed cadmium sulfide cell and quick-acting DPDT relay with contacts rated at 5 amps, 120 vac has fully-adjustable sensitivity.—*Berkeley Dynamics, 2831 7th St., Berkeley 2, Calif.*

SOLENOID VALVES

New valves of ½" and ¾" port diameters round out Series J Solenoid Valves for complete range from ¼" to 1½" port dia, featuring pilot operation and only two moving parts. They are being used for low-cost flow control of water, air, low-pressure steam, light oils, brines, industrial and L.P. gasses and other non-corrosive fluids.—*Jackes-Evans Mfg. Co., Controls Div., 4427 Geraldine Ave., St. Louis 15, Mo.*



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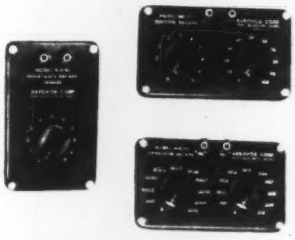
DECADE BOXES

New line of Decade Boxes, comprising 3 capacitance models, 3 resistance models, and 4 inductance models; has



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MAGNETIC AMPLIFIER

New Model 701 Relay Amplifier operates on less than 3 microwatts from low-energy d-c sources such as photoelectric cells, null detectors, and ther-

mocouples, and delivers 0.4 watts output; or from 26 v at 400 cps for aircraft, etc.; with excellent reliability and good sensitivity.—*Acromag, Inc., 22519 Telegraph Rd., Detroit 41, Mich.*

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MASER AMPLIFIER

New Versitron, a low temperature, solid-state, maser amplifier for operation at microwave frequencies in either S-band or X-band, specially designed for radar, telemetry and communications research, development,

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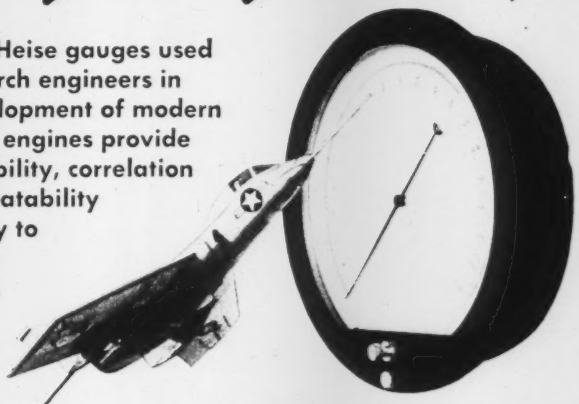

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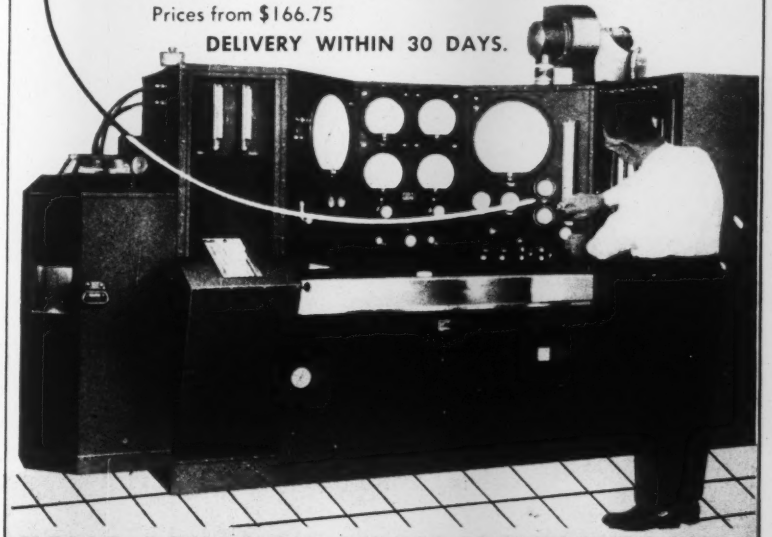

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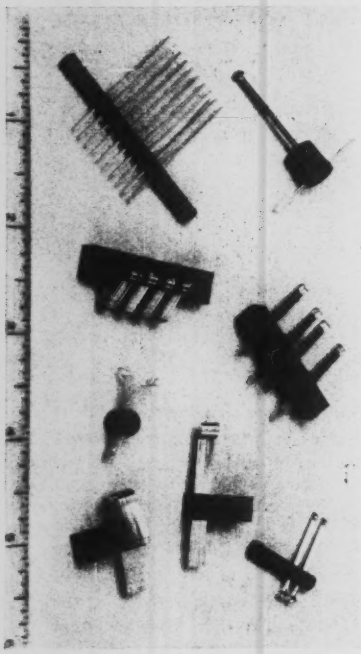

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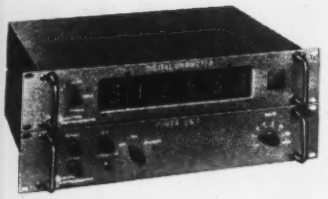

New five-digit Ohmmeter DOA-500, consisting of Universal Power Module and a Resistance Switch Module, is totally transistorized and is part of a complete new line of modular digital instruments. Accuracy is 0.01%, ± one digit, from 000.01 ohm to 9.-9999 megohms. Ranging is automatic. Average readout time is only 1.5 sec. —*Electro Instruments, Inc., 3540 Aero Court, San Diego 11, Calif.*

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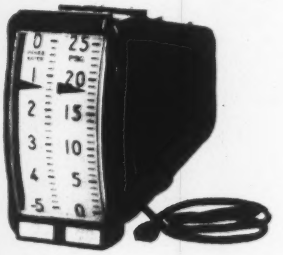
MULTIPOINTER GAGE

New 7-inch illuminated Multi-Pointer Gage Unit measures, transmits, and receives pressure, draft, differential, and level. Measuring elements are diaphragms, bellows or bourdon tubes, depending on range. Standard ranges from 0-0.5" W.C. to 0-5000 psig are available. Any number of gage units may be mounted adjacent on the same panel to provide multiple indications.—*Bailey Meter Co., 1050 Ivanhoe Rd., Cleveland 10, Ohio*



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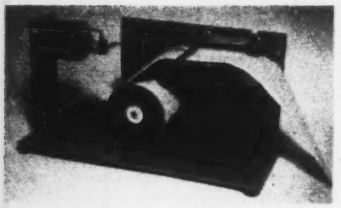

New Model ER-22 direct-writing oscillograph records signals from dc to 60 cps on electro-sensitive paper eliminating inking problems. A wide range of chart speeds is achieved by simple, inexpensive clip-in motors.—*Mandrel Industrial Instruments, 5134 Glenmont Dr., Houston 36, Texas*

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LOCK WASHER TERMINALS

New lock washer terminals are manufactured from 0.018" brass or phosphor bronze, hot tinned, with #4, #6 and #8 holes. Free-samples kit available.—*Zierick Mfg. Corp., 110 Beechwood Ave., New Rochelle, N. Y.*

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V-O-M/CLAMP-ON AMMETER

New Model 100 Volt-Ohm-Milliammeter and Clamp-On Ammeter Set includes (1) Model 310 hand-sized V-O-M which checks a-c and d-c volts (dc at 20,000 ohms/v), megohms, microamps and milliamps.) (2) a Model 10 Adapter which attaches to the top of the V-O-M (this clamp-On Ammeter checks line loads instantly). (3) A line Separator, Model 101, to divide two-conductor cords, and (4) adapter leads.—*The Triplett Electrical Instrument Co., Bluffton, Ohio*

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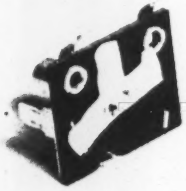
GROUNDING SWITCH

New GS-1 Grounding Switch features twist-tab type mounting instead of threaded bushings or lugs. It is ex-



ceptionally simple and rugged in design; has been tested for 5000 rotational cycles or better.—*P. R. Mallory & Co., Inc., 36 S. Gray St., Indianapolis 6, Ind.*

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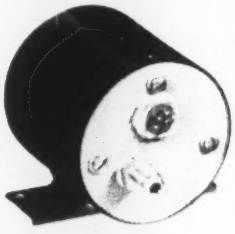
PRESSURE PICKUPS

Three new pressure pickups: (1) Model 22005 for high-sensitivity absolute pressure measurements features



resolution 0.0002 or less, hysteresis better than 0.3%, repeatability better than 0.3%, high-temperature operation, low vibration and steady-state acceleration error. (2) Model 22008 is designed to measure pressures in extreme environments; (3) Model 22002 provides non-linear functions; both have a temperature range from −54°C to 100°C with performance that will not vary more than 1% over rated range at 100°C.—*Technology Instrument Corp. of California, 7229 Atoll Ave., N. Hollywood, Calif.*

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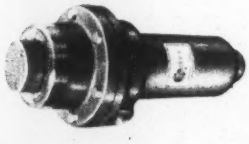
FLOW REGULATOR

New Type F Flow Rate Regulators operates with differential of less than 10 psi, requires no outside source of power, and controls flow to within 3%



of set point, regardless of fluctuations in line pressure. Available in carbon steel, type #316 stainless, and special alloys for flows from 0.02 to 550 gpm, with rangeability of 15 to 1.—*The W. A. Kates Co., 430 Waukegan Rd., Deerfield, Ill.*

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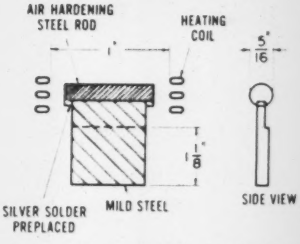

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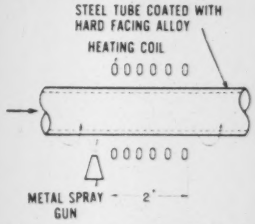

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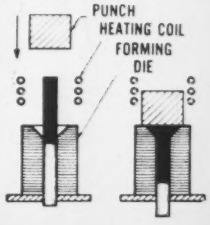

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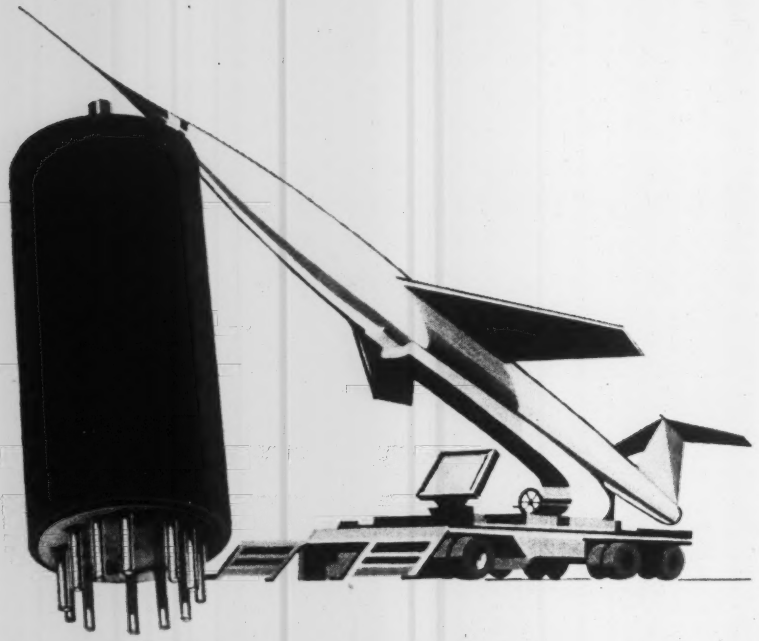

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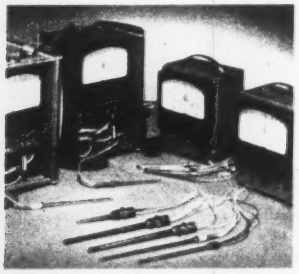
NEW INSTRUMENTS

THERMISTOR-ACTUATED THERMOMETERS

New high-sensitivity thermistor-actuated thermometers can be used remotely hundreds of feet away from probe with no effect on indication



accuracy; large 4-inch dial; a-c or battery operated; rugged probes withstand pressure, shock or vibration.—*Marshall Instruments, Inc.*, 14203 *Bessemer St., Van Nuys, Calif.*

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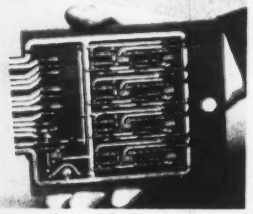
TRANSISTORIZED COUNTER

New Decimal Counter on a single plug-in card provides a four-line 1-2-4-8 output code, with 4 milliamps drive available directly from each of these lines. Designed to operate from



negative pulses of approximately 2 v amplitude and 1 to 2 usec in duration, and at operating speeds from 0 to 150 kc, all inputs and outputs are provided through a single 18-tab printed-circuit connector.—*Navigation Computer Corp.*, 1621 *Snyder Ave., Phila. 45, Pa.*

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HEAVY-DUTY MOTOR

New instantly-reversible 80-in-oz continuous-duty synchronous motor, Series RSM, with output speeds from $\frac{2}{3}$ to 3600 rpm is $2\frac{1}{2}$" in dia, and

$1\frac{3}{4}$" long. Motor remains operative from −40°C to +105°C, and withstands 100g shock. Accurate synchronization is maintained during vibrations of 10 to 55 cps at 0.065" excursion.—*Hurst Mfg. Co., Princeton, Ind.*

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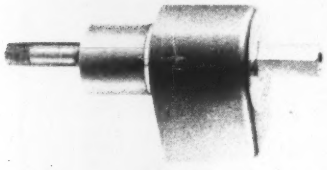
HIGH-PRESSURE PACKLESS SOLENOID VALVES



New high-pressure, 2-way, packless Solenoid Valve GV60-565 controls air and gases to 2500 psig, and liquids to 1800 psig. The valve is available with Nema I, Nema IV, or Nema VII, IX and IXA solenoid enclosures, ¼" N.P.T. or A.N.D. connections, and standard, threaded or A.N. electrical connections.—*Automatic Switch Co., Florham Park, N. J.*

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DC COUPLING PREAMPLIFIER

New Model 450-1300 DC Coupling Preamplifier is a moderate-gain, balanced-input balanced-output d-c amplifier, which will perform equally well with single-ended or balanced signals. A three-stage circuit features cathode follower input and output, with over-all gain provided by the second stage push-pull transistor amplifier. Input is single-ended or push-pull, impedance 5 megohms each input side to ground; 50-mv input produces 1 volt at output jack under maximum output load conditions. Frequency response is 0-10 kc, linearity ¼%.—*Sanborn Co., Industrial Div., 175 Wyman St., Waltham 54, Mass.*

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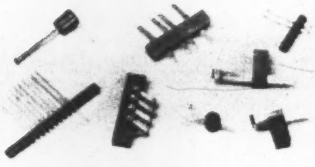

New molded assemblies for use with printed commutators, potentiometer windings, slip ring assemblies, and printed rotary switches are available as standard line or made to customers' specifications. Advantages are elimination of welding or soldering, uniformity of desired gram pressure, reduced inspection costs, and others.—*The J. M. Ney Co., P.O. Box 990, Hartford 1, Conn.*

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FOOT SWITCH

New improvements to Cadet Foot Switch give the operator better control from any angle. Overtravel stop ring allows operator to step on the switch at any point, and with any degree of force without any possible damage.—*Linemaster Switch Corp., 432 Woodstock Ter., Woodstock, Conn.*

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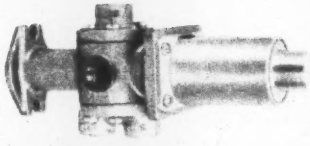
3000-PSIG SOLENOID VALVES



New Shear-Seal Valves for pressures up to 3000 psig with d-c solenoid operation from 12-, 24-, or 125-v sources are available in four-way, three-way, shut-off and diverter flow patterns.—*Barksdale Valves, 5125 Alcoa Ave., Los Angeles 58, Calif.*

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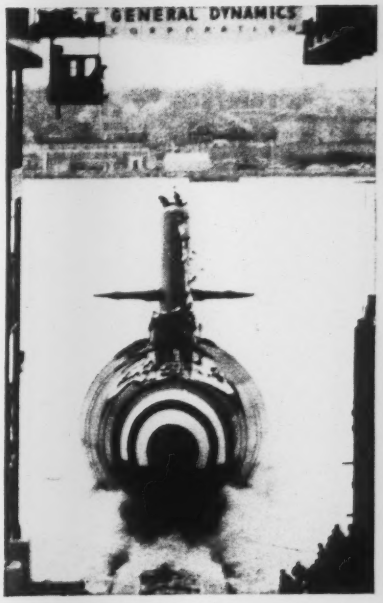

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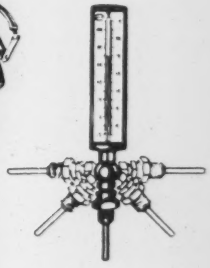

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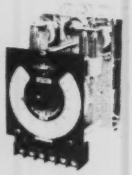

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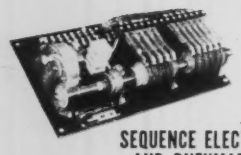

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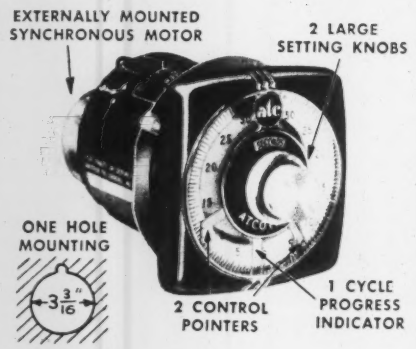

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MULTI-CONDUCTOR CABLE

New multi-conductor cable has 102 mil overall dia, while conventional Teflon multi-conductor cable has a 125 mil overall dia. Available from #28 through #18 AWG with 1, 2, 3, and 4 conductors.—*Insa Products, Ltd., 404 Fifth Ave., New York 18, N. Y.*

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GAS DETECTOR

New imported Drager Gas Detector serves for making semi-quantitative gas estimations by non-skilled person. Detector tubes containing uniform amounts of different reagents are discolored by the gases in the air

to be tested, which are forced through the detector tube by a pump. Suction strokes of pump and color of the detector tube give indication of concentration of gas either directly on the detector tube or on a corresponding table.—*Union Industrial Equipment Corp., 20 Davis Ave., White Plains, N. Y.*

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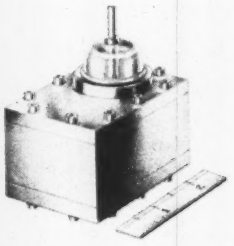
VIBRATING CAPACITOR

New Vibrating Capacitor VC-713 500 is a vibrating-reed type capacitance modulator used to convert d-c into sinusoidal a-c. It can measure



currents of 10^{-16} amp from a very high impedance source. Virtually free from drift it is suitable for mass spectrometry, circuits for measuring insulation resistance and dielectric leakage currents, pH, radioactivity, and output of ionization chambers.—Catalog 523 with price list gives details.—*Stevens-Arnold, Inc. 22 Elkins St., South Boston, Mass.*

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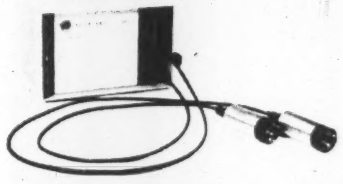
NON-CONTACT CONTROL UNIT



New Model 902-1 Delta Unit measures pressure, temperature, vibration, etc. by converting even minute capacitance changes into a phase-sensitive differential d-c voltage. Based on the patented T-42 ionization transducer the unit accepts initial capacitances from 1 to 50 $\mu\mu$F and provides maximum signals of ±30 vdc.—*The Decker Corp., Bala Cynwyd, Penna.*

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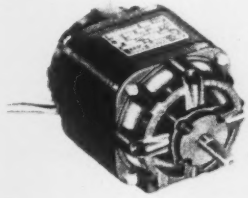
SUB-FHP MOTOR

New Type R-29 is made in 2- and 4-pole design and 3 frame lengths. Included are induction, reluctance synchronous, and hysteresis synchronous permanent split capacitor motors built in ratings from 1/150 to 1/20 hp.—*Holtzer-Cabot Motor Div., National Pneumatic Co., Inc., 125 Amory St., Boston 19, Mass.*



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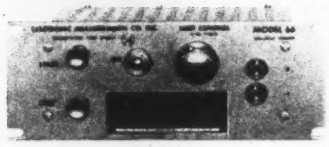
VOLTAGE LIMITER



New instantaneous, all-electronic Voltage Limiter for power supplies with ratings up to 3-amp is used to protect transistors, and other voltage-sensitive devices from damage due to low- or high-speed voltage excursions. The limiter is adjustable between 0 and 50 v.—*Electronic Measurements Co., Inc., Eatontown, N. J.*

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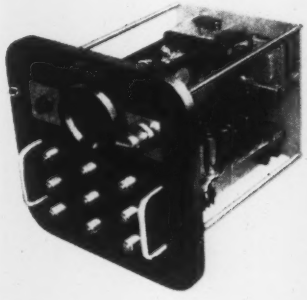
DIGITAL INDICATOR

New explosion-proof, multi-channel Digital Indicator, Type 6, is available as three- or four-channel model with manual or automatic switching between channels. Range is up to 9000 counts with ¼% accuracy. Unit contains a tuning-fork-controlled frequency standard for calibrating to various transducers. Two calibration ranges are available: 60-600 cps and 120-1200 cps.—*Cox Instruments Div., George L. Naukervis Co., 15300 Fullerton Ave., Detroit 27, Mich.*



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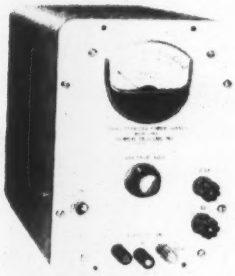
TRANSISTORIZED POWER SUPPLY



New portable Model 1515 is protected by Robotec, a transistorized electronic circuit, producing simultaneous current and voltage cutoff upon external short circuit. Operating in 30 usec, it reduces line input power to a negligible value and holds the power supply cut off until manually reset. Range is 1-15 vdc, 0-1.5 amps, regulation is better than 15 mv or 0.05%, ripple is less than 500 microvolts, source impedance is 0.01 ohms. —*Power Designs, Inc., 89-25 130th St., Richmond Hill 18, N. Y.*

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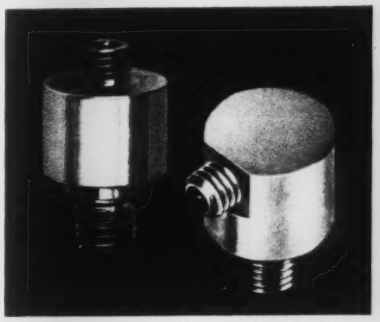
Avoid false test results with GLENNITE internally ungrounded accelerometers



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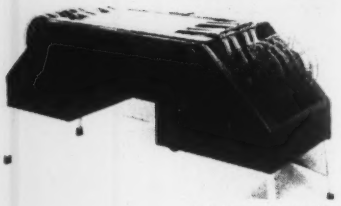

New Viewer for inspection and comparison of nearly identical reels of 35-mm film has forward and reverse speeds up to 300 ft/min. and rewind speeds up to 1000 ft/min. Operates from a 115-125 v, 60-cps, single-phase power source.—*Coleman Engineering Co., Inc., 3500 Torrance Blvd., Torrance, Calif.*

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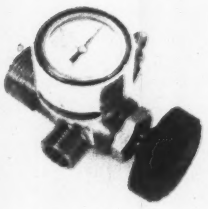
OXYGEN CYLINDER VALVE

New OV600 Oxygen Cylinder Valve for airborne gaseous oxygen bottles is positive acting and slow opening, has "O" rings for the spindle seal, spindle of stainless steel, and seating on a Kel-F plastic seat, thus providing positive no-leak shut-off. A pressure gage indicates pressure in the oxygen bottle.—*Robbins Aviation, Inc., 2350 East 38th St., Los Angeles 58, Calif.*



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VARISTOR SPARK SUPPRESSOR IN SWITCHES

Varistors in silicon-carbide rotary stepping switches and relays are said to suppress arcs more effectively and reduce radio interference appreciably.—*Automatic Electric Co., Industrial Products Div., Northlake, Ill.*

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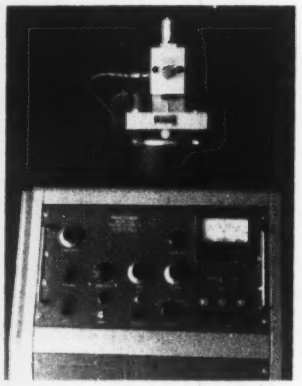
PNEUMATIC FUNCTION GENERATOR

New Functionair Model 100A Pneumatic Function Generator provides a pneumatic signal source for dynamic testing of pneumatic components and systems. The unit converts electrical signals into pneumatic pressure signals and responds to frequencies from 0 to 50 cps when used with volumetric loads up to 20 cu in. Static accuracy is 1% of full scale.—2-page bulletin gives details.—Power requirements are 117 vac, 60 cps, 900 watts.—*Palisades Engineering Co., Inc., P.O. Box 22, Pacific Palisades, Calif.*



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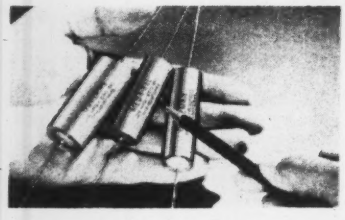
MINIATURE CAPACITORS



New Miniature High Reliability Capacitors, Mega-Rel MR 463 Series, are the smallest physical sizes available in high reliability capacitors.—Catalog MR 463-1 includes comparison chart with sizes listed in MIL-C-26244 (USAF) and MIL C-25A.—*The Gudeman Co., 340 W. Huron St., Chicago 10, Ill.*

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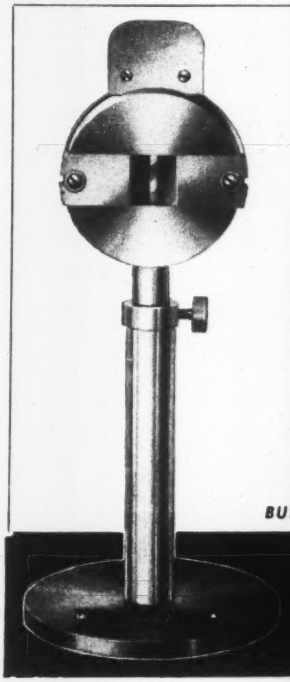

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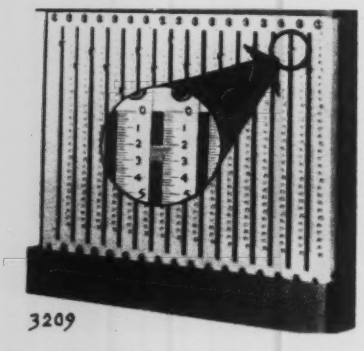

Maximum is 30 min for each interval shown on easily-read scale, calibrated in 10-sec increments.—*Bald Eagle Corp., 356 Cedar St., St. Paul 1, Minn.*

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TAPE SYSTEM

New Analog-Punched Tape Data System, Model ZA-750, for handling quasi-static data produces an 8-level punched-tape output from a 20-channel, quasi-static d-c input. Program formats can be changed easily and quickly by a plug-patchboard.—4-page bulletin gives details.—*Electronic Engineering Co. of Calif., 1601 East Chestnut Ave., Santa Ana, Calif.*

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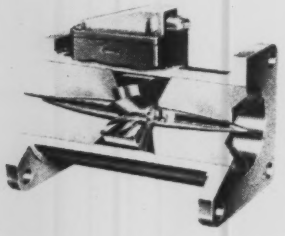
IMPELLER FLOWMETER

New rate or totalizing flowmetering system features low pressure drop (less than 2.5 psi) and transmitter accuracies of ±1% over ranges from 3 to 600 gpm. Impeller transmitters



made of stainless steel or aluminum alloy with temperature range from −350 F to +300 F produce a gated 400-cps output of 2.5 v regardless of flow rate; cancel out effects of stray electrical fields and produce a very large signal-to-noise ratio. Transmitter output is fed directly to recorders or indicators, with no intermediate amplification required.—*Revere Corp. of America, Wallingford, Conn.*

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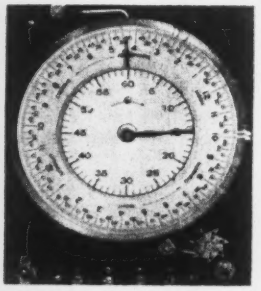
PROGRAM INSTRUMENT

New 2200 series Paragon Program Instrument is an automatic switch which can be set to close an electrical circuit at any desired 5-minute in-



tervals of a 24 hour period. The circuit closure can be from 2 to 60 seconds and occurs precisely at the times selected. As many as 288 operations in a 24-hour period are possible.—*Paragon Electric Co., Two Rivers, Wis.*

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HOT PLATE AND STIRRER

New Model H Combination Hot Plate and Magnetic Stirrer has stainless steel case which remains cool at all times despite unit providing 750

watt maximum output with three heat positions. Variable stirring is supplied with Teflon stirring bars.—*E. H. Sargent & Co., Dept. HP, 4647 W. Foster Ave., Chicago 30, Ill.*

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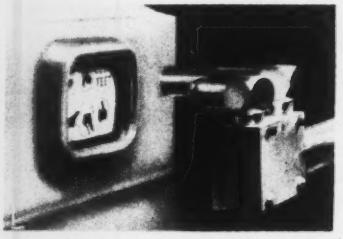
DIAL ROTATION MONITOR

New miniature unit for dial rotation detection, originally developed for gas-meter accuracy tests is suited



for weight control on the production line because the pointer (pre-adjusted) does not pass a specific predetermined point.—*Ess Instrument Co., Bergenfield, N. J.*

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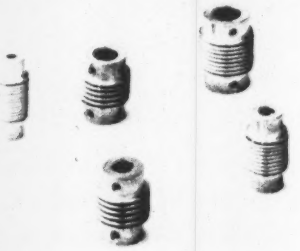
FLEXIBLE COUPLINGS

New miniature flexible couplings have no back-lash and transmit uniform angular velocity at high speeds



through seamless metal bellows. Shaft sizes range from 1/8" to 1/2". Overall lengths vary from 37/64" to 1-3/32".—*Bridgeport Thermostat Div., Robertshaw-Fulton Controls Co., Milford, Conn.*

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HALL-EFFECT DEVICES

New Halltron Type HS-51, a semiconductor device (indium-antimonide) utilizing the Hall effect, is now available from stock. A typical example of its performance is as follows: for inputs of 500 milliamps control current and 10 kilogauss magnetic field,

the output voltage exceeds 500 millivolts. At zero field, the input impedance is 0.8 ohms, and at 10 kilogauss, the output impedance is 2.5 ohms. Frequency response is in the order of 10^{-10} to 12^{12} sec.—*Ohio Semiconductors, Inc., 1035 W. Third Ave., Columbus 8, Ohio*

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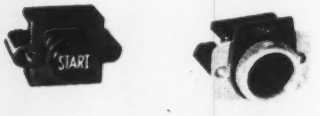
PUSH BUTTONS

New Bulletin-2901 single-element Push Buttons, engineered for standard-duty general-purpose a-c and d-c



control circuits, contains momentary double-break silver-to-silver contacts rated at 3 amps, 120 vac.—*Ward Leonard Electric Co., 150 McQuesten Parkway South, Mount Vernon, N. Y.*

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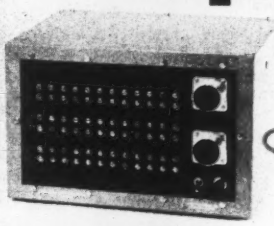

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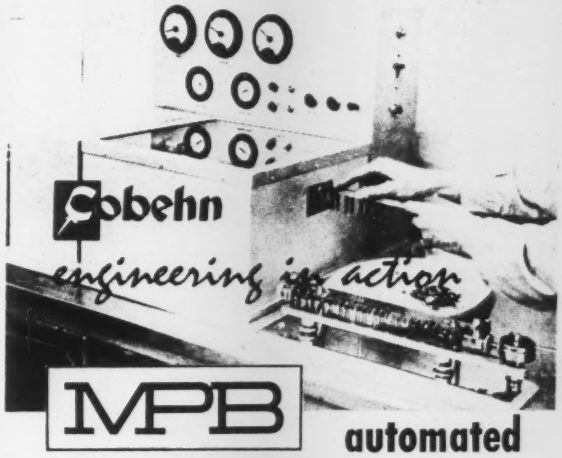

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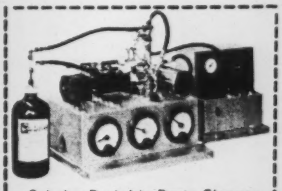

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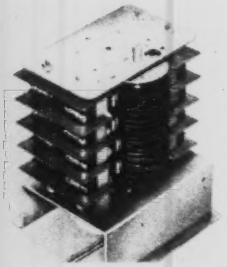

48 hours. Type 511 provides from 1 to 3 load switches, Type 521 from 4 to 8. Load switches are rated for 20 amps at 125 or 250 vac, the motor for 115/230 v, 25, 50 and 60 cps.—*Cramer Controls Corp., Centerbrook, Conn.*

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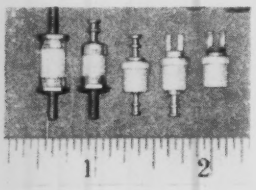
TEFLON STANDOFF TERMINALS

New Teflon insulated Standoff Terminals 2415, 2417, and the X2182 series press fit into a 0.205" ±0.002" hole, their sizes varying to accommodate panel thicknesses from $\frac{1}{16}$" to



$\frac{1}{8}$". Others are the #2167 and the #2168, available in two sizes, with standing heights, when mounted, of $\frac{1}{2}$" or $\frac{3}{4}$"; and the #2168, which has a brass mounting stud.—*Cambridge Thermionic Corp., 445 Concord Ave., Cambridge 38, Mass.*

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ELECTRIC COUNTER

New six-digit CE-800 features two hundred million count life, complete dustproof enclosure; built-in silicone diode full-wave bridge rectifier with capacitor for maximum reliability and service life through all ac voltages to 230 with 25-, 40- and 60-cps frequencies; also dc; protection against tampering; 1000 counts per minute (operates reliably at much higher speeds with electronic actuation); knob or key reset.—*Production Instruments Div., General Controls Co., 8062F McCormick Blvd., Skokie, Ill.*

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SUBMINIATURE RELAY

New high-precision Type S-M, for control systems, computers, aircraft, missiles, etc., is less than 1" long and weighs less than $\frac{1}{2}$ oz; is designed for continuous use in −65°C to 125°C range; is said to have a life expectancy of over 100,000 operations at rated load. Nominal coil voltage 26.5 vdc; contact arrangement 2p-dt; contact rating 2 amp @ 28 vdc resistive; max contact bounce 1 ms; operating shock 50 *G* for 11 ms; vibration 20 *G* @ 5 to 2000 cps.—*Comar Electric Co., 3349 W. Addison St., Chicago 18, Ill.*

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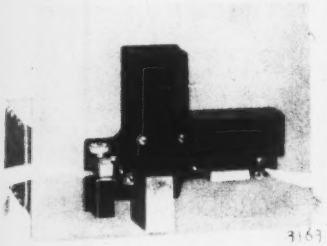
TAPE STRIP READER

New completely transistorized 909, for processing information on perforated tape strips into digital data



computer systems, requires virtually no training for operation by clerical personnel. Although built to MIL-E-4158A, it is said to be priced lower "than less advanced contemporary equipment manufactured to commercial specs." Among features: character reading speeds up to 1000 char/sec; simple in-line threading; stops on STOP character (0.2 millisec) and will read next character after start; photo diode head reads any tape (including oiled yellow teletype tape); reads 5, 6, 7 or 8 level tape with sprocket channel.—*Potter Instrument Co., Sunnyside Blvd., Plainview, N. Y.*

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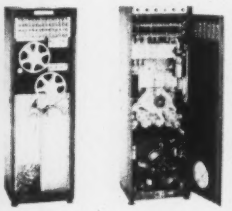
TAPE TRANSPORT SYSTEM

New Model 424 fully-transistorized Tape Transport is new-type system to record, store, and reproduce analog or digital data. Two independent capstan drives, with high-speed start-



stop times of less than 2 millisec, permit tape to operate in either direction at speeds from 7½ ips to 60 ips (150-ips high-speed model also available). Tape widths from ¼" to 2" can be handled.—*D. G. C. Hare Co., 30 Burtis Ave., New Canaan, Conn.*

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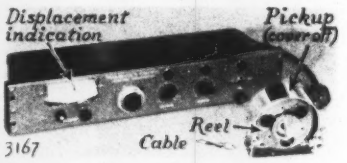
DISPLACEMENT SYSTEM

New combination of Model 4040-10 "automatic measuring tape" and Model 4040-C Control measures dis-



placements under dynamic load tests, even at elevated temperature. Pickup produces a signal directly proportional to cable extension; has 10-ft range; is capable of following sinoidal displacements of 5-ft amplitude at frequencies up to ½ cps. Indicator-transmitter using a bridge null detector provides visual indication, voltage output, zero-displacement setting, max and min displacement limit switches, limit indicator lamps, and means for instrument calibration.—*Research, Inc., Hopkins, Minn.*

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New version of maker's S-P-S Tester (also known as Gurley-Hill Tester) is available with an antomatic timing attachment and electric stop timer; no more need to use stopwatch.—*W. & L. E. Gurley, Troy, N. Y.*

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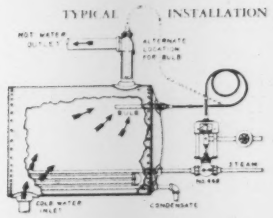

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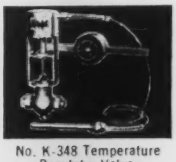
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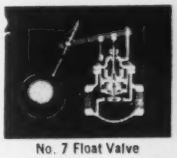
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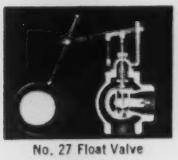
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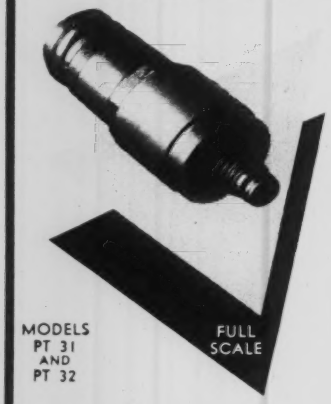

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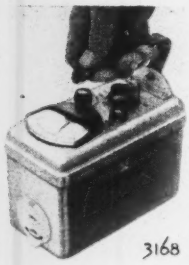

New Model GB-1 is an improved type of portable gamma-beta log-linear radiation survey meter featuring fast response time, 0-1 mr-hr linear and two 3-decade ranges 0.5-500 mr/hr, 0.5-500 R/hr; mercury battery 300 hr continuous operation, one year intermittent; energy dependence flat to within 10% from 80 kv to 1.2 Mev. ★Model GB-3, same as model GB-2, but with one logarithmic range, 0.5 to 500 mr/hr. —*Riggs Nucleonics Corp.*, 717 *N. Victory Blvd., Burbank, Calif.*

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New Model 134, with temperature range from −200°C or lower to 250°C or higher, is suitable for LOX

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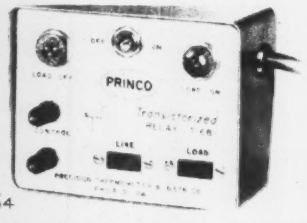
TRANSISTORIZED RELAY

New supersensitive Model T-681 weighs 30 oz; is recommended for use with thermoregulators and other mi-



croampere-level units; controls a load up to 1500 watts. Features include convenience outlet for stirrer or auxiliary heater; internal n-o/n-c reversing switch.—*Precision Thermometer & Instrument Co.*, 1434 *Brandywine St., Philadelphia* 30, *Pa.*

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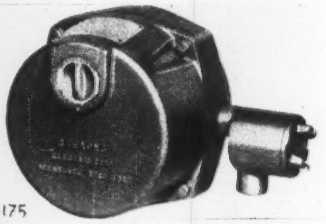
DISC BRAKE

New Series UH50 is said to make available an ac brake with UL approval for both Class 1 Group D and



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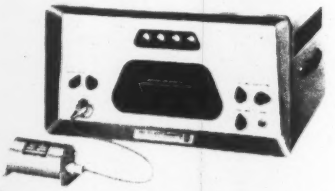

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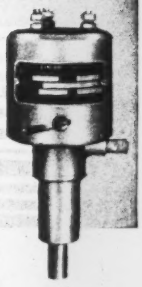

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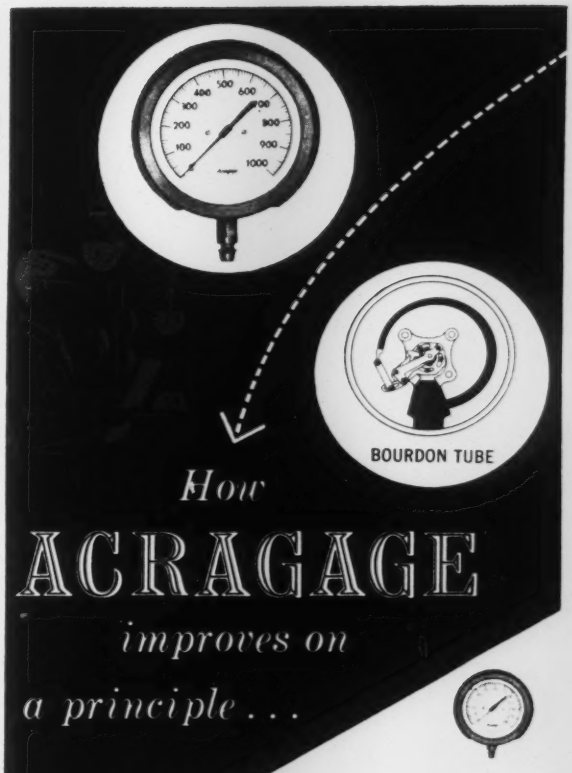

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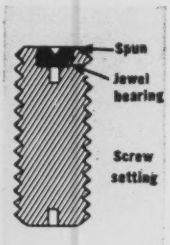

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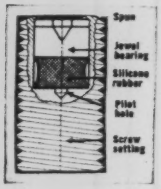

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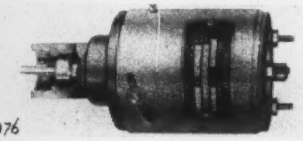

ble); is available for company's complete line of overspeed, underspeed, 2-switch and 3-switch governors. Unit shown is essentially a single-element speed-sensitive switch, either manual or automatic reset.—*Synchro-Start Products, Inc.*, 8151 *N. Ridgeway Ave., Skokie, Ill.*

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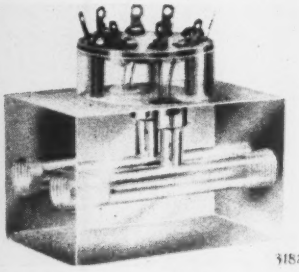

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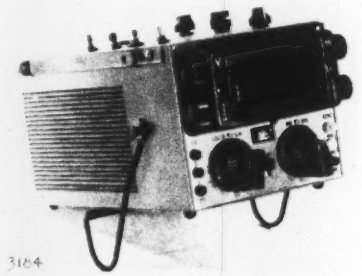

parable to a shoebox in size and a large laboratory oscilloscope in performance." Direct-reading feature allows direct calibration of scales in volts (from 10 mv/div) and milliseconds (from 10 usec/div). Sync signal >1 v peak automatically triggers 'scope. Sync light indicates presence or absence of proper level.—*Waterman Products Co., Inc.*, 2445 *Emerald St., Philadelphia* 25, *Pa.*

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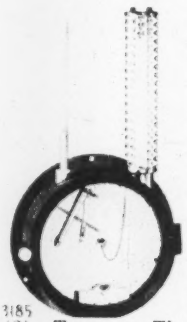

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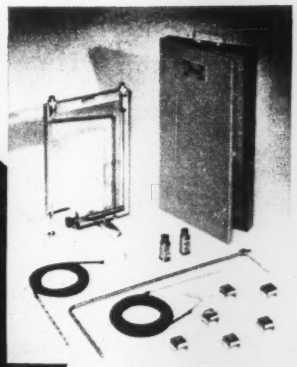

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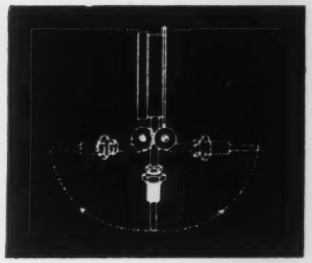

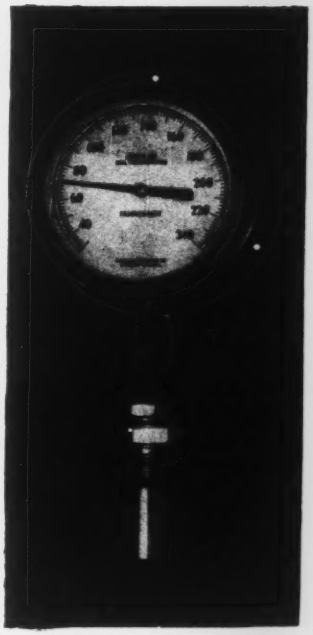

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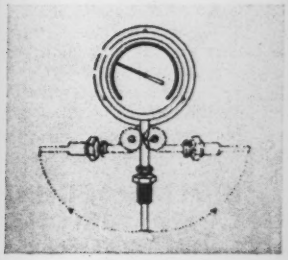

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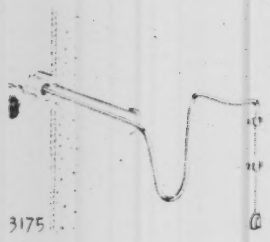

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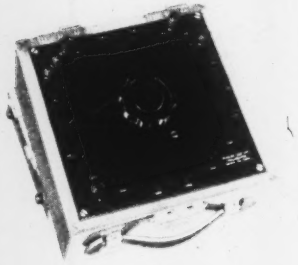

works are available with steps of $2\frac{1}{2}°$, 5°, or 15°. Voltage dividers—three in the synchro, four in the resolver—permit full 360° rotation to be checked without changing connections.—*Rubicon Instruments Div., Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Ridge Ave. at 35th St., Phila. 32, Pa.*

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HIGH-TEMPERATURE TC

New Cerami-Kouple metal-sheathed ceramic-insulated thermocouple wire combines high electrical sensitivity with small size; withstands high temperatures and corrosive atmospheres; bends on a radius as small as its own diameter without collapsing metal sheath or shorting wires; provides the quick thermal response necessary

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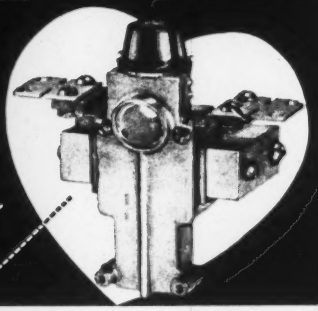

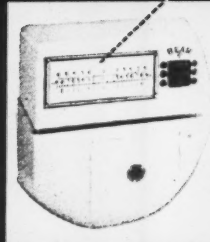

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POWER RECTIFIERS

New NL line of low-cost, general purpose axial lead types provide efficient operation in ambient tempera-

tures up to 100°C. Output current rating is 500 milliamps at 100°C with PIV's from 50 to 500 volts.—*North American Electronics Inc., 212 Broad St., Lynn, Mass.*

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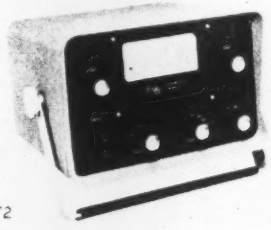

nating voltages from 1 mv to 1000 v full-scale, positive and negative direct voltages from 1 v to 1000 v full-scale, and half-scale resistance readings from 10 ohms to 10 megohms at an over-all 3% accuracy on all readings. It also has an electrometer input for measuring 0-1 v dc at an impedance greater than 10,000 megohms. Battery-powered transistor circuitry eliminates warm-up time, and confers immunity to power-line transients which could damage transistors or cause erroneous readings. —*Southwestern Industrial Electronics Co., 2831 Post Oak Rd., Houston 19, Texas.*

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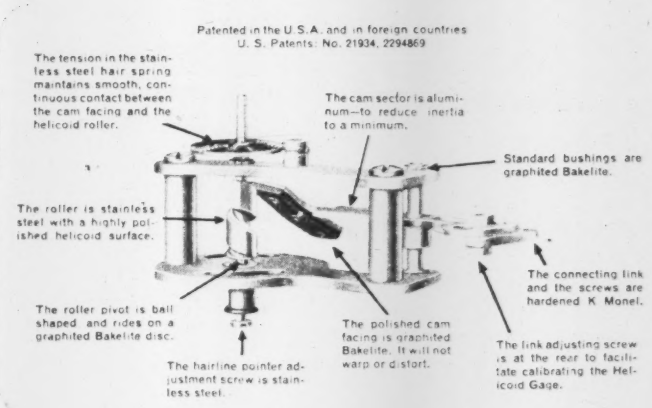
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bands to resist solvents are designed for use in standard automation equipment.—*International Resistance Co., 401 North Broad St., Phila. 8, Pa.*

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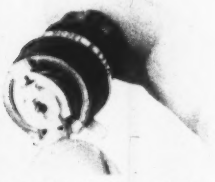
New ceramic-and-metal Model E Rheostat, smaller than many 1 or 2-watt film or composition potentiometers, is capable of $12\frac{1}{2}$ watts dissipa-



tion at 40° C. $\frac{7}{8}$" in dia and extending $\frac{1}{8}$" behind the mounting panel this miniaturized version has ceramic hub, independent contact arm pressure, vitreous enamel coating and other Ohmite features.—2-page Bulletin 157 contains complete information.—*Ohmite Mfg. Co., 3698 Howard St., Skokie, Ill.*

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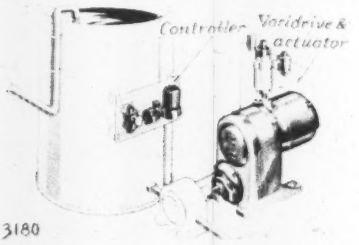
LEVEL CONTROL SYSTEM

New liquid level control system for food or chemical processing industries tanks comprises a U. S. Level



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MINIATURE RECORDER

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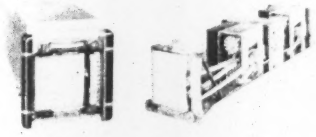

square panel cutout and can be furnished as an optional feature with a control set point, or alarm contacts, or both, for one of the variables.—*Swartwout Co.*, 18511 *Euclid Ave., Cleveland* 12, *Ohio.*

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MINIATURE RESISTORS

New Model 9855 Vamistor precision metal film resistor, specially designed for use in transistor circuits, aircraft and missile gear, computers, etc., is rated at ¼ watt at 125 C (derated to 0 at 190 C). Length is 0.650", diameter 0.235". Resistors are available

in values from 250 ohms through 500 K at tolerances of 0.25%, 0.5% and 1%. Standard maximum temperature coefficient of these thermally fused resistors is ±50 ppm/°C, with excellent high-frequency characteristics and absolute stability at low temperatures in shock or under vibration.—*Weston Instruments Div. of Daystrom Inc.*, 614 *Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark* 12, *N. J.*

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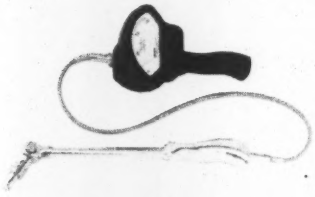
New Model B Portable Hand Pyrometer for measuring temperatures of convex, rotating or flat surfaces; for plastics, rubber or semi-fluids,



liquids, gases or molten soft metals; requires no power source, special tools or operator skill. The pyrometer is offered in 12 scale ranges which are automatically compensated for changes in ambient temperature.—*West Instrument Corp.*, 4363 *W. Montrose Ave., Chicago* 41, *Ill.*

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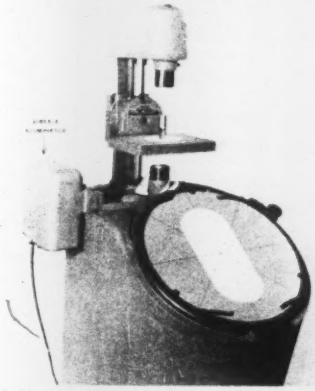
New Surface Illuminator which can be used on maker's Micro-Projector for all standard magnifications from



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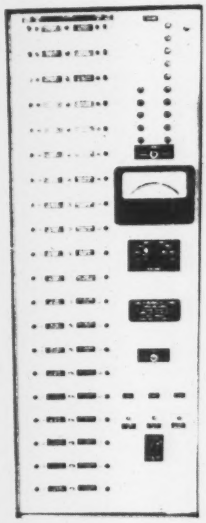
New digital variable indicator and temperature monitoring system scans a large number of thermocouples at a rate of five sec and records when any exceed preset common off-normal



and/or alarm set point. If the alarm setting is exceeded, the system shuts down the plant. Thermocouple inputs can be programmed through an analog-digital system and be viewed on digital display panel. The scanner can characterize sweep voltage so that it exactly matches the emf curve of the type of thermocouples being sampled.—*Kybernetes Div., Hagan Chemicals & Controls, Inc., P.O. Box* 1346, *Pittsburgh* 30, *Pa.*

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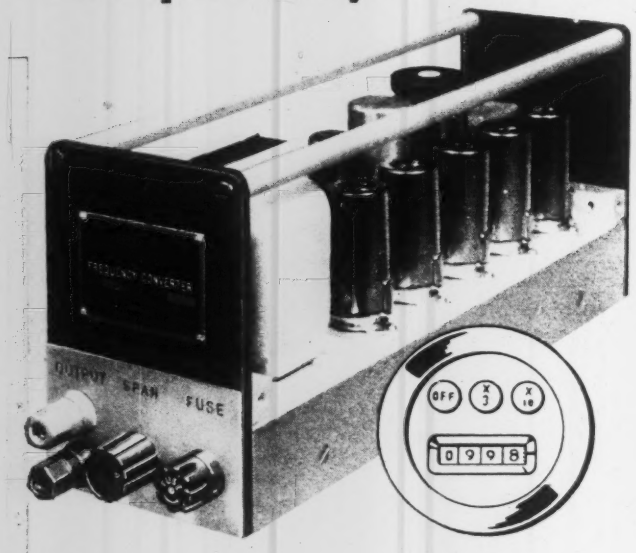

The new Cox Frequency-to-Analog Converter joins the ever growing list of precision instruments designed and built for electronic data handling by the Cox Instruments Division — pioneers in precision flow measuring equipment.

The Type 2 Converter was originally developed for use with the Cox Turbine Flow Measuring System, but is now being widely used in many other applications for extremely linear conversions in telemetering, computers and other transducer-recorder systems. Its high sensitivity, excellent stability and fast transient response combined with low cost, make it an outstanding converter for all around use.

A new technical bulletin describing the Type 2 Frequency Converter is available upon request. Write to *Cox Instruments Division, George L. Nankervis Company, 15200 Fullerton Avenue, Detroit 27, Michigan.*

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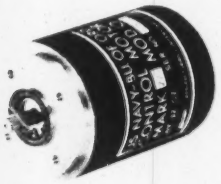
NEW INSTRUMENTS

SERVO MOTOR

New powerful, continuous duty, hi-temp, Size 23 Servo Motor, Type 23-5251-01, built to BuOrd Mark 21 Mod 0 specifications meets SAE precision control motor requirements according to ARP 497, essential requirements of



MIL-S-17087 and environmental requirements of MIL-E-5272A. No-load speed is 5000 rpm stall torque 6.5 in oz, rotor moment of inertia 15.5 gm cm², ambient temperature range —54 C to +125 C and weight 32 oz. Rating is 115v on phase 1 and 115/57.5v on phase 2, with power input 22 watts per phase at stall.—*John Oster Mfg. Co., Aviation Div., 1 Main St., Racine, Wis.*

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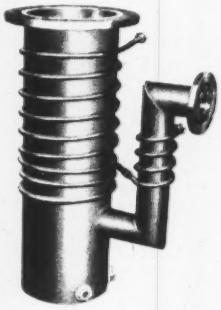
HIGH-SPEED DIFFUSION PUMP

New Type EP4W 4" fractionating oil 3-stage Diffusion Pump is water-cooled and has a 420 l/sec speed



at 5×10^{-7} mm Hg, and backstreaming is 0.04 cc/hr at 25 C. The extra high limiting forepressure tolerance, 525 microns at 5×10^{-7} mm Hg, gives the EP4W excellent booster action qualities.—*Vecco Vacuum Corp., 86-P Denton Ave., New Hyde Park, L. I., N. Y.*

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UNREGULATED POWER SUPPLY

New "V" series of unregulated heavy-duty d-c power supplies featuring semi-conductor rectifiers includes Model V40-15 which has a continuously-variable output voltage of 0-40v at 0-15 amps. a-c input is 115v, single phase, 60 cps. Other models in the "V" series have output voltages up to 300v at varying current ranges of 0-2 amps up to 0-15 amps.—*Universal Electronics Co., 1720 Twenty-Second St., Santa Monica, Calif.*

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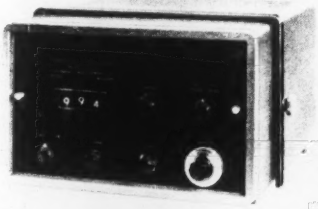
STRAIN GAGE READOUT

New Universal Strain Gage Indicator, Model UDTI-2, a servo null-balance instrument furnishes digital read-out from any transducer using bonded or unbonded strain gages.



Standard readout ranges are: 0-200, 0-500, 0-1000, 0-2500, 0-3000, 0-4000, 0-5000. In multiple-transducer installations, the new indicator can read all of the transducer outputs over a wide span range, 1 to 5 mv/v. For calibration, the UDTI-2 stimulates transducer output voltages from 0 to 5 mv/v. Basic indicator accuracy is ±0.15% of full scale range.—*Performance Measurements Co.*, 15301 W. McNichols Rd., Detroit 35, Mich.

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WELDING POWER SUPPLY

New Resistance Welding Power Supply, Model 1024, features controlled output from 2 to 500 watt-seconds. Operating from any 105-125v, 60-cps power outlet, the air-cooled Model 1024 works with the controls and welding transformer of a separate welding head or handpiece. 2-page bulletin describes and specifies unit.—*Weldmatic Div. of Unitek Corp.*, 380 N. Halstead Ave., Pasadena, Calif.

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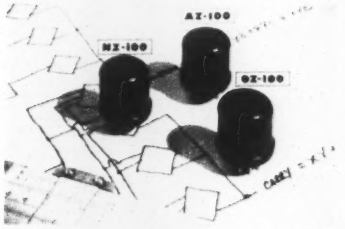
LOGIC SYSTEM MODULES

New Magnalog Logic System basically consists of three interchangeable miniature 7-pin modules which are a "NOT" (NZ100), an "OR" Zener diode (OZ100), and an "AND" Zener diode (AZ100). The NZ100



plug-in is a series-type pulse magnetic amplifier. The OZ100 and AZ100 modules consist of silicon double anode, Zener diodes. Energized by a 100-kc RF power supply it can, for instance, display numbers in prescribed order on a digital readout unit.—*Hoffman Electronics Corp., Semiconductor Div.*, 930 Pitner Ave., Evanston, Ill.

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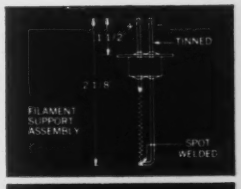

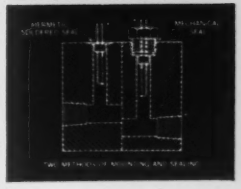

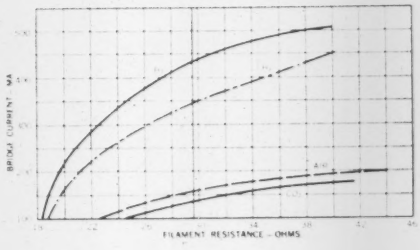

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NEW INSTRUMENTS

KINETAPE CONVERTER

New transistorized Converter 768H-1 provides high-speed transmission of digital data from magnetic tape (IBM or Univac) over voice-quality tele-

phone circuits. Data rate is 300 characters per sec. Unit has automatic error detection and correction by error coding and data retransmission techniques.—*Collins Radio Co.*, 2700 *West Olive, Burbank, Calif.*

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FLOW SWITCH

New FS4 Series of Flow Switches activates signals, pumps, burners, etc. when flow in a pipe line starts or stops. Installation is in 1" pipe tap. Available in two UL-listed models for line voltage, and two for self-generating millivolt systems.—4-page Bulletin FS-1 contains details.—*McDonnel & Miller, Inc.* 3500 *N. Spaulding Ave., Chicago* 18, *Ill.*

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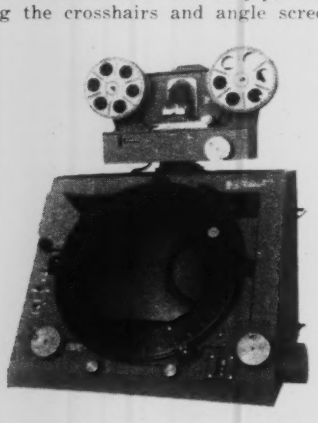
MOTION ANALYZER

New C-11 D Projection Case with 11"-dia screen is suitable for automatic x-y, angle, and frame-count readings directly to IBM card punch or Clary printer systems. Projection heads for 8-,16-,35-, or 70-mm film are available. After manually positioning the crosshairs and angle screen,



the operator presses a button which automatically reads out the data. Coordinate readout is in increments of 0.001" at the magnified screen image and angle measurement is to 0.1°.—*Vanguard Instrument Corp.*, 184 *Casper St., Valley Stream, L. I., N. Y.*

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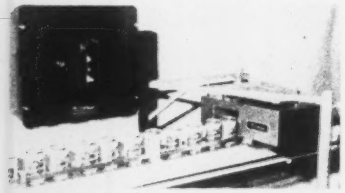
FILL INSPECTION SYSTEM

New automatic AccuRay Individual Container Fill Inspection and Rejection System measures the height of filled materials in individual tin cans



or other containers to $\frac{1}{64}$", at speeds of 1000 containers/min, then actuates a rejection device to remove from the conveyor line any container which does not conform to specifications. The system has two principal components: (1) A measuring head incorporating a long-lived isotope energy source and detector, and (2) a control unit which measures the voltage received from the detector and which generates a reject signal whenever required.—*Industrial Nucleonics Corp.*, 1205 *Chesapeake Ave., Columbus* 12, *Ohio.*

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SUBMINIATURE TOROIDS

New line of encapsulated subminiature toroids is based on four core types with identical dimensions (0.670" diameter x 0.360" high) but different magnetic characteristics.

The four cores cover an inductance range from 0.056 mh to 1.0 h, and the frequency range for normal use extends from 1,000 cps to 500 kcps. Hermetically-sealed toroids are packaged in either a can with a flange or a "crystal holder" type can with pins to fit a standard crystal socket.—*Toroids, Inc.*, 18228 *Parthenia St., Northridge, Calif.*

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LOW-CAPACITY LOAD CELLS

New Way-Pac series Load Cells with 0 to 1000 lb capacity feature a moulded rubber diaphragm together with a unique piston positioning device consisting of three stainless steel balls. Accuracy is well within $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1% of range. Included in line are compression, tension, cable tension, dynamometer cells; tank pivots; indicators and recorders.—*The A. H. Emery Co., New Canaan, Conn.*

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AIR/GAS CLEANER

New Vape-Sorber, a hydrocarbon vapor adsorption device protects air and gas systems from the effects of

oil vapor, free oil, water-oil emulsions and dirt. First stage removes droplet and dirt; second stage removes mist and fog by passing the compressed air or gas through an adsorbent.—*Selas Corp. of America, Dresher, Penna.*

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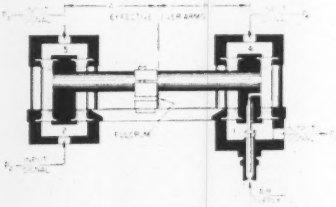
RATIO TOTALIZER

New MSP-120 Ratio Totalizer is a low cost, pneumatic control unit which has been redesigned with greatly reduced spring rate for greater overall accuracy. A four-chambered force-balance device, it combines up to three input signals to produce a



single output signal pressure. It functions both as a controller and computer, providing proportional, integral and rate actions as well as addition, subtraction, multiplication and ratio functions as required. Interchangeable diaphragm and bellows elements are available for input pressures up to 600 psig.—*Hagan Chemicals & Controls, Inc., P. O. Box* 1346, *Pittsburgh* 30, *Pa.*

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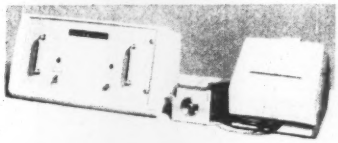
DATA LOGGING SYSTEM

New K-120 System provides recording up to three decimal digits (0-999) on adding machine tape from various makes of self-balancing potentiometers (SBP) such as Bristol, L & N, and Honeywell. Automatic initiation can be from a timer, clock, or upon



demand. Accuracy is ±0.1%. Speed is 2 readings/sec. Selection of over 100 different encoder readings is available with a variety of ranges such as 0-799, 0-499, 500-999, etc. Basic components are a C-100A Series Encoder, a K-120 Control Chassis, and the DATEX-Monroe MC-202 Data Log.—*Datex Corp.*, 1307 *So. Myrtle Ave., Monrovia, Calif.*

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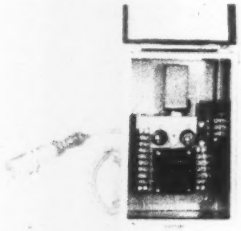
PROXIMITY SWITCH

New Proximity Limit Switch, Type 2782, uses maker's differential transformer transducer as the sensing de-



vice eliminating the need for light beams, mechanical linkage or physical contact and has no calibrated transmission cables nor special power supplies.—*ATC, Inc., Dept.* 201, *King of Prussia, Penna.*

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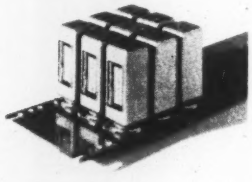
DIGITAL CIRCUITS

New complete line of Transistor Digital Circuits is fully encapsulated and comes in two package styles and



three temperature ranges (−10° to +60°C, −10° to +71°C, and −55° to +71°C). Package Style A (illustrated) is for mounting in 9- and 14-pin miniature tube sockets. Package Style B is for 15 pin in-line mounting. Designed for 100-kc operation, they permit operation up to 200 kc, and in some cases, up to 400 kc.—An engineering brochure and engineering bulletins contain details.—*Epsco, Inc.*, 588 *Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass.*

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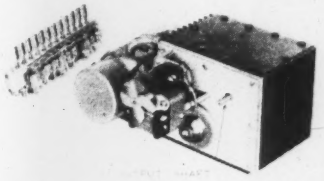
TRANSMISSION UNIT

New multi-purpose, Class 3 commercial-type unit features low-inertia gear train for instantaneous speed changing. Gear ratio with optional low-speed motor (in 12 steps) is 2,560 to 1. With transmission drive motor, it covers a ratio of 128 to 1 in eight steps. Another 256-to-1 ratio (in 12



steps) is obtained with use of optional dual-speed transmission motor. Output torque is 128 in. oz. Maximum breakaway torque is six in. oz., and top running torque is four in. oz. Control is by optional push-button switch.—*The Hamilton Watch Co., Hathaway Instrument Div.*, 5800 *East Jewell Ave., Denver* 22, *Colo.*

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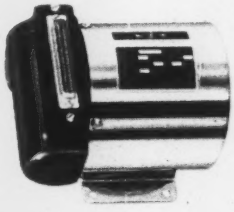
MINIATURE EVENT RECORDER

New miniature 25-channel inkless recorder, ER-125, finds use for recording data from special transducers, and as a telemetering back-up device, besides missile applications. A



transistorized time base operating at 10 cps is furnished with the standard Model: available as optional, is a 100 cps time base for greater time resolution. A 27-vdc (governor-controlled) motor of ruggedized construction is coupled to a gear reduction train driving the tape transport system at a nominal 5 ips. The recording tape is either metalized Mylar 0.0015" thick or chemically-treated Alfax paper.—*Santa Barbara Instrumentation Corp.*, 5481 *Santa Monica Blvd., Los Angeles* 29, *Calif.*

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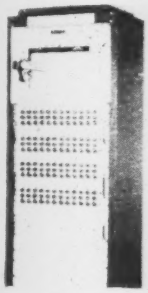
STRAIN-GAGE CONTROL

New strain gage recording systems for balancing, calibrating, controlling, scanning and recording the output of 24 to 96 strain-gage channels feature modular construction. B system prints



strain values in sequence together with channel number, while C system plots strains vs load for each channel. Digital readout is available and strains can be tabulated on a typewriter, IBM cards, or punched tape. —*B & F Instruments, Inc.*, 3644 *North Lawrence St., Phila.* 40, *Pa.*

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TESTING UNIT

New Model 8000 hermetic Compressor Analyzer and Electrical Tester for all makes in the air conditioning and refrigeration industry, consists of five individual instruments—hermetic motor starter; dual-range volt meter; dual-range capacitor analyzer; non-destructive breakdown tester; 3-phase tester with phase sequence indicator. Bulletin gives details.—*Airserco Mfg. Co., Inc.*, 435 *Melwood Ave., Pittsburgh* 13, *Pa.*

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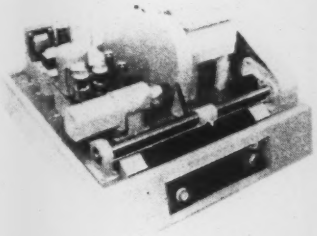
CONTROL SYSTEMS

New electromechanical control systems of improved dynamic response, high accuracy and assured repeatability can be used with computers or with signal sources sensing linear



motion or distance, pressure, temperature, flow, and speed; or manual controls. Modular system consists of a signal comparator (electrical or mechanical), a power-supply converter, electronic amplifier, and mechanical power amplifier. Output may be either uni- or bi-directional.—*Seneca Falls Machine Co., Electronics Div.*, 12 *Fyfe Bldg., Seneca Falls, N. Y.*

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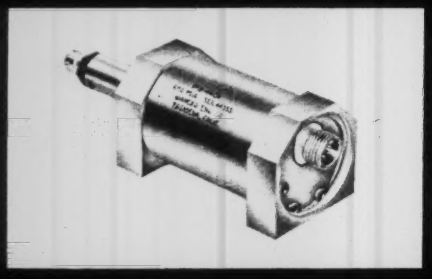
a variable-reluctance pressure transducer for dc applications



Wiancko's new dc-dc pressure transducer is a notable advance in transducer design that will find ready acceptance and wide appreciation because here, combined in a small 10-ounce package, are all the advantages of the variable-reluctance pick-off with the desirable features of dc excitation and output. High output (0-5 volts dc), great accuracy and repeatability, exceptional acceleration and vibration resistance, constant output impedance, and high frequency response, all make this transducer eminently suitable for telemetering and data system applications.

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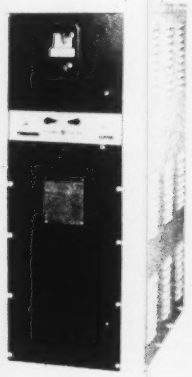
NEW INSTRUMENTS

STRIP CHART RECORDER

New null-balance strip chart recorder-controller features continuous standardization by silicon (Zener) diode, and unitized construction, with printed circuits and plug-in components. Available as d-c potentiometers,



a-c or d-c bridge; and both single-pen (type HF) and multi-record (type HG) types, it has $10\frac{3}{4}$" calibrated chart width. The new instrument can be used to record watts, vars, power factor, and frequency, or pH conductivity, temperature, flow and pressure.—*General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N. Y.*

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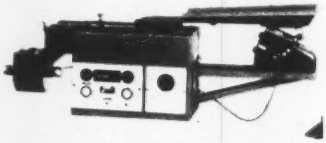
AUTOMATIC BATCHER

New portable FCB-1 unit can feed count, batch, and tabulate 300 to 1000 small pieces per min. Unit consists of a Syntron vibrating tray, a special



conveyor belt (with speeds up to 150 ft/min), a photoelectric sensing device, and a Decitron Preset Counter. Units with total counts from 1 to 1,000,000 are available.—*Post Electronics, Div. of Post Machinery Co., 165 Elliot St., Beverly, Mass.*

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VISCOMETER

New measuring elements for high-pressure reactors and pipe lines use a proximity switch for timing the fall of a piston through the liquid in the process. The piston is intermittently raised by a mechanical lifting mechanism and then allowed to fall by gravity. A recorder controls the fre-

quency of lifting, receives the time signals from the measuring element, and converts the time of fall data in-

to a complete viscosity record.—*Norcross Corp., Dept. #N45, Newton 58, Mass.*

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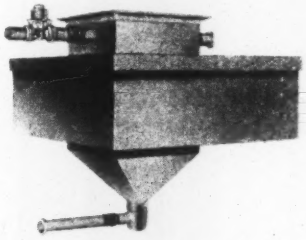
BATCHING SCALE

New Low-A-Trol constant-feed Batching Scale features electronic closed-circuit control providing dynamic accuracies of 0.1% for wet or dry materials being fed at rates of from 5 lb to 5 tons hr. The scale orders periodic filling of the hopper as needed. A servomotor positions a



poise on the balance beam. The poise is retracted at a constant preset rate by a velocity servo system. A rotary feeder discharges the hopper at a rate dependent on the withdrawal rate of the poise, and a weight sensing element detects the unbalance and controls the speed of the rotary feeder. —*Thayer Scale Corp., Thayer Park, Pembroke, Mass.*

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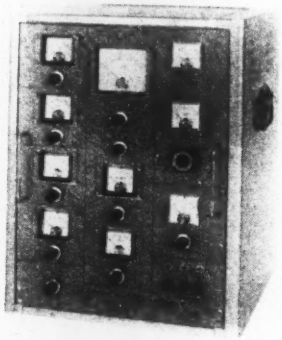
POWER SUPPLY

New versatile Model 250 Traveling Wave Tube Power Supply has electrode supplies which are floating and



isolated with respect to each other.—2-page bulletin contains details.—*Alfred Electronics, 897 Commercial St., Palo Alto, Calif.*

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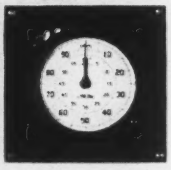

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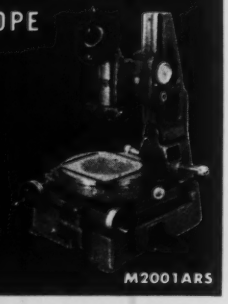

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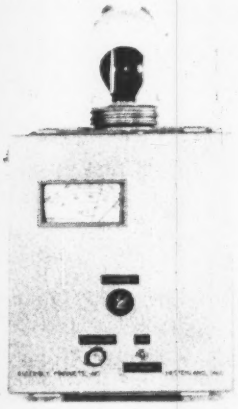

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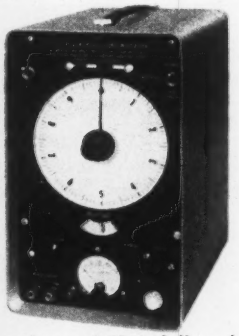

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TEMPERATURE TRANSDUCERS

New line of 100-ohm-resistance transducers for measurement of fluid, air, and surface temperatures feature rapid response (200 msec) as a result of the deposited-platinum film used as sensing element. The fluid-immersion transducer (4101L-11)

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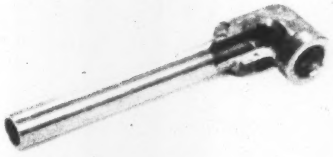

joint in a matter of a few seconds. Available in sizes of ¼" through 2" O.D. They can be furnished in steel, stainless steel, naval brass, cupro nickel or other materials.—4-page Catalog 4375 provides descriptive information.—*Parker Fittings & Hose Div., Parker-Hannifin Corp.*, 17325 *Ave., Cleveland* 12, *Ohio*

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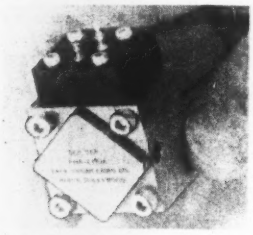
New Model P21 variable-reluctance Pressure Transducer features a diaphragm magnetically coupled to a pick-off system embedded in the body as the sensing element, low pressure



chamber volume and high overload tolerance. Ranges are from 1 psi to 1000 psi (gage, differential, and absolute) with an accuracy rating of ±0.5% full scale. Constructed of Type 416 stainless steel it weighs 4½ oz and is 1-3/32" square and 1 ⅛" thick. —*Pace Engineering Co.*, 6914 *Beck Ave., North Hollywood, Calif.*

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How to avoid false test results due to "ground loop" voltages

With the increasing need for greater accuracy in shock and vibration measurement, extreme care should be taken to avoid the introduction of spurious voltages.

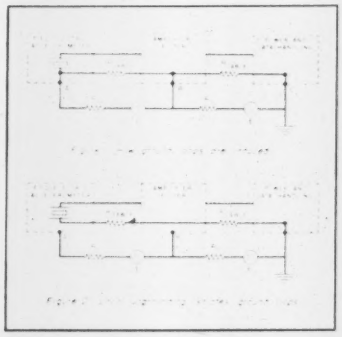
Circulating ground currents, generated by electrical devices external to the measuring system, generate voltages that can lead to completely false results.

GROUNDING USUALLY AT FAULT

Ground loops may come from various extraneous sources.

Figure 1 shows how circulating ground currents in a structure can induce electrical voltages in a typical shock and vibration measuring system. In this example, the accelerometer, amplifier and data handling or recording equipment are placed at three separate locations. Each instrument has its electrical circuitry grounded to the housing, and each housing is connected electrically to the structure at points A, B and C.

Voltages E, produced in the structure by the circulating currents, are introduced into the measuring system between points A&B and B&C.



SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM

First, all electrical apparatus capable of generating currents should be ungrounded and a *single heavy point ground* employed.

Second, all measuring instruments should be ungrounded at local points and the entire system grounded at the single point.

Anthony W. Orlacchio
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Figure 2 illustrates a recommended technique for ungrounding the system described in Figure 1. By removing the internal circuit grounds from structural points A and B, ground loop voltages are isolated from the measuring system.

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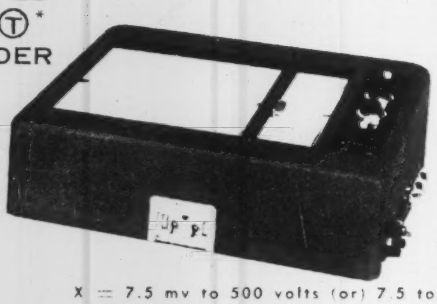

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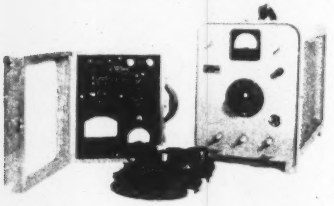

both a 10 amp dc and a 100 amp d-c current source. The Microhm Meter has also its own self-contained 10-amp battery power supply. Set can be used for checking the conditions of oil and air circuit breaker resistance in cable joints, bus bar connections, and current paths in other power equipment where the normal resistance is in the microhm range.—*J. W. Dice Co., Englewood, N. J.*

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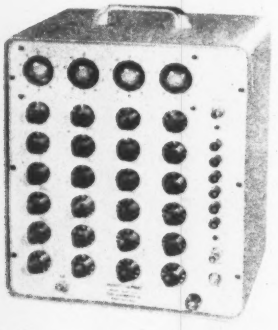
PRESET COUNTERS

New 2020 Multiple Preset Counters have multiple groups of presetting controls for high-speed sequential predetermining counting and control.



Complete programs can be preset. Various inputs, including photocell, mechanical contacts, or pulses, can be utilized at counting speeds up to 30,000 per min.—*Freed Transformer Co., Inc., 1707 Weirfield St., Brooklyn 27, N. Y.*

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EXPENDABLE TC

New immersion thermocouple for molten-steel temperatures consists of a length of standard 1" black iron pipe with a handle on one end and a fitting on the other to hold a cartridge. The cartridge, and a 4-ft paper sleeve protecting the immersed length of pipe, are the only expendable items. The cartridge is a refractory cylinder with contacts at the receptacle end and a platinum/platinum-10%-rhodium thermocouple enclosed in a U-shaped sheath. Hemi-

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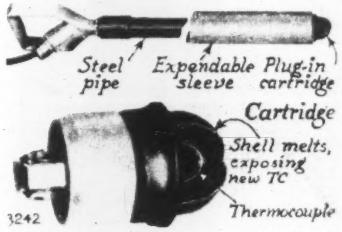

20-45 sec readings take now 5 sec. One-shot item is said to be comparable in cost with present methods. A recorder conversion kit adapts conventional recorders to fast speed or a new Speedomax G recorder can be used with the new couple.—*Leeds & Northrup Co., 4970 Stenton Ave., Phila. 44, Pa.*

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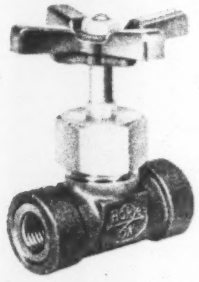

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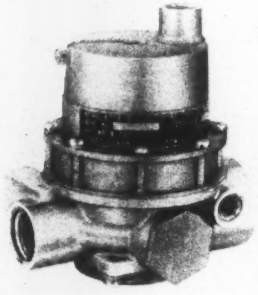
New high-flow pilot-type regulator maintains an outlet pressure of 6±0.-25 psig with flow variations from 3



to 160 scfm under 10 to 250 psig inlet pressure and —65 to +350°F.—*Clary Dynamics, 408 Junipero St., San Gabriel, Calif.*

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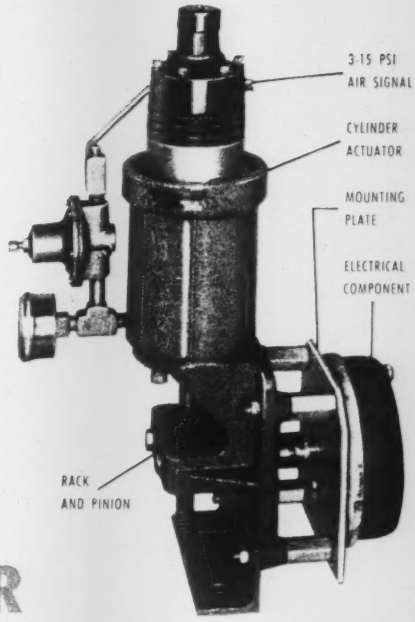
ELECTRIC CONTROL FROM A PNEUMATIC SIGNAL WITH THE CONOFLOW MODEL EB CURRENT CONTROLLER



The Model EB Current Controller—an exclusive product of Conoflow Corporation—is a unique final control element. It is a pneumatic-electric transducer consisting of a pneumatic cylinder actuator fitted with a rack and pinion mechanism, and a standard electrical component such as a rheostat, potentiometer or autotransformer. The cylinder actuator, operating from a 3-15 psi air signal, produces a rotary motion (to 360°) to precisely position the electrical device affording automatic control of voltage, current, inductance, capacitance, resistance, or other electrical values.

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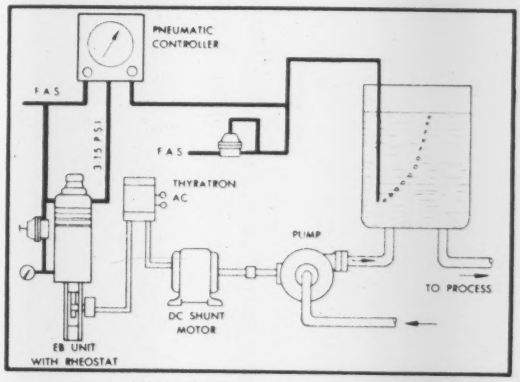

A TYPICAL EXAMPLE

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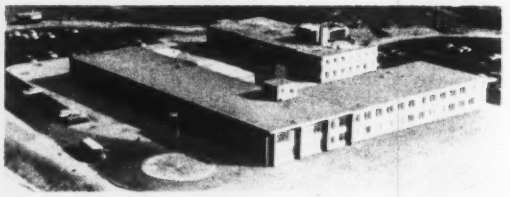

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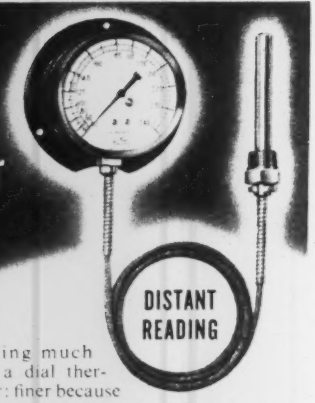

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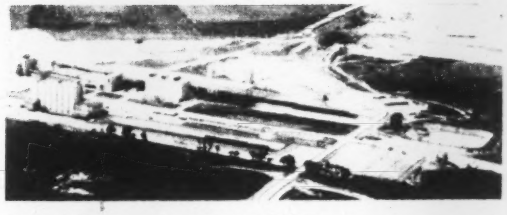

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AMERICAN METER CO. reports that its president *William G. Hamilton, Jr.*, who is also chairman of the

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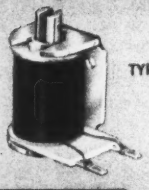

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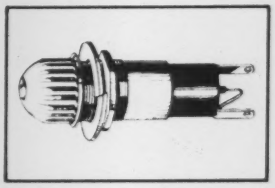

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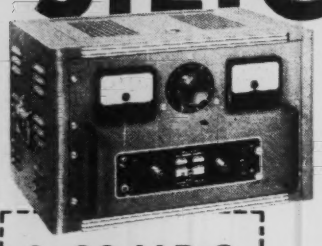

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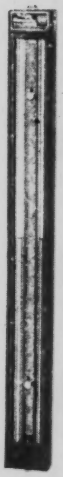

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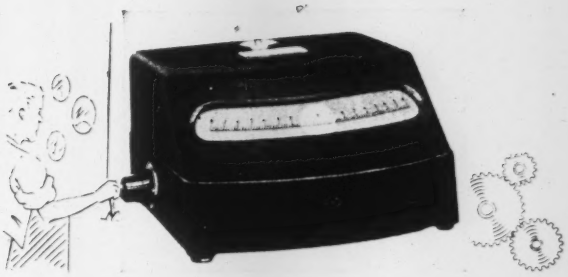

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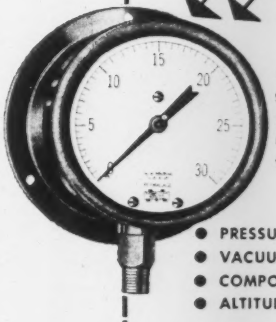

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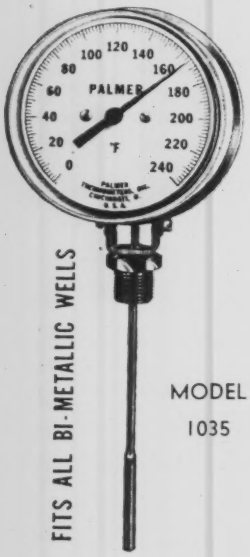

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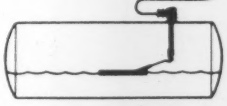

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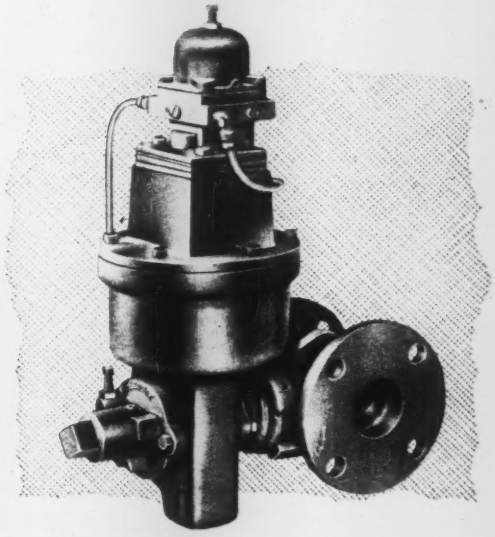

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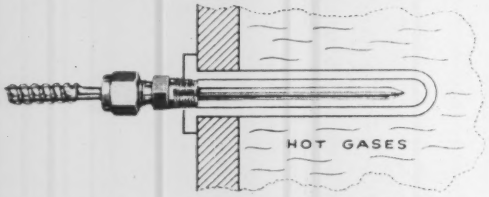

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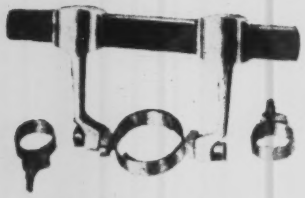

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MANOMETERS. 12-page catalog presents U-tube, well-type, and inclined-tube manometers, also manometer theory.—Trimount Instrument Co., 3119 West Lake St., Chicago 12, Ill.

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VACUUM GAGES. 12-page folder contains spec sheets on Televac indicating and recording thermocouple and ionization gages, also precision-bore glass tubing, and scientific glassware. —George E. Fredericks Co., Bethayres, Penna.

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MANOMETERS. 24-page Catalog 2008 includes sections on U-type, well-type (single- and multi-tube) and inclined-tube manometers, manometer indicating liquids, and accessory equipment. —King Engineering Corp., Box 680, Ann Arbor, Mich.

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COUNTER-CONTROLLER. 4-page folder describes Series 320 dual preset counter-controllers for coil winding, motor speed control, shearing to length, batching, packaging, variable pulse interval generation, and process programming.—Computer Measurements Corp., 5528 Vineland Ave., North Hollywood, Calif.

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ULTRACENTRIFUGE. 12-page Brochure 5BL-2 gives full information on Model L Preparative Ultracentrifuge. Contains also description of the high-temperature and high-vacuum special versions of the Model L.—Beckman Spinco Div., Stanford Industrial Park, Palo Alto, Calif.

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PLASTIC LABWARE. 16-page Catalog P58 contains illustrated and indexed description of 78 different types of plastic apparatus, from beakers to vacuum drums made of polyethylene, polypropylene, Teflon, polystyrene, polyvinyl chloride and acrylic resin, with tables outlining the properties of each.—Will Corp., Rochester 3, N. Y.

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GAS ANALYZER. 2-page bulletin describes the Thermal Gas Analyzer Model 101 for the analysis of O_2, He, and CO_2 in gas mixtures.—Instrumentation Associates, 17 West 60 St., New York 23, N. Y.

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INDUSTRIAL GAS CHROMATOGRAPH. 2-page Bulletin GC-4117 describes and specifies the multi-stream, multi-component Model 220 for chromatographic analyses.—Beckman/Scientific and Process Instruments Div., 2500 Fullerton Rd., Fullerton, Calif.

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TAPE LOOP ADAPTER. 2-page Bulletin 1613 describes application of data handling accessory, Cat. No. 5-049, "which converts from reel to loop operation in just 2 minutes."—Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., 300 North Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif.

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COMPUTATION CENTERS. 20-page Bulletin CC-821 describes in detail the analog computing equipment installed at the company's computation centers in Princeton, N. J.; Los Angeles, Calif.; and Brussels, Belgium.—Electronic Associates, Inc., Technical Literature Group, Long Branch, N. J.

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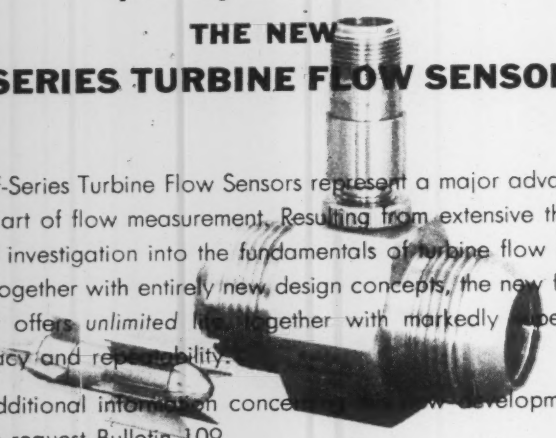

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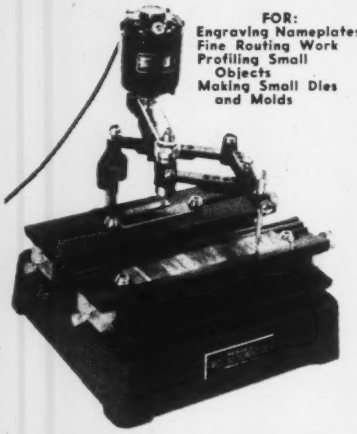

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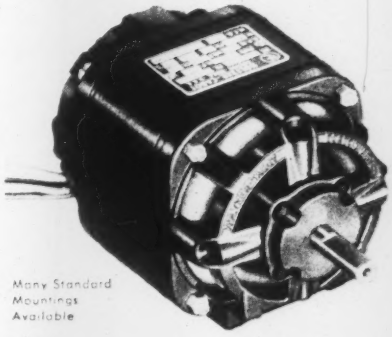

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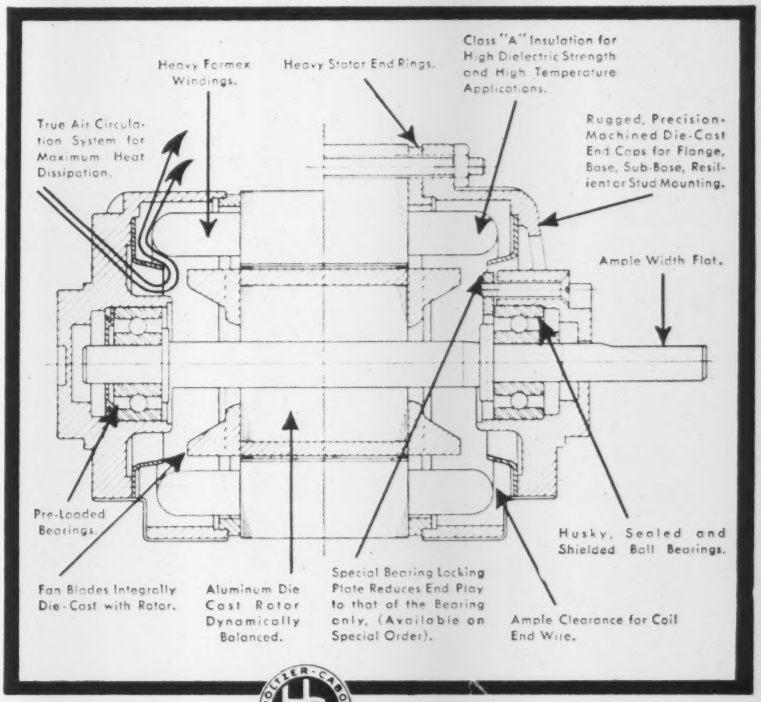
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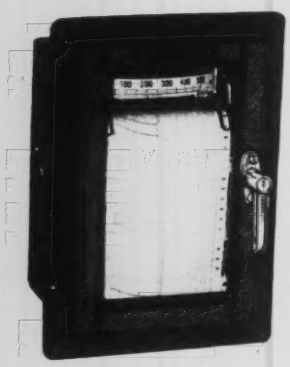

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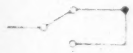

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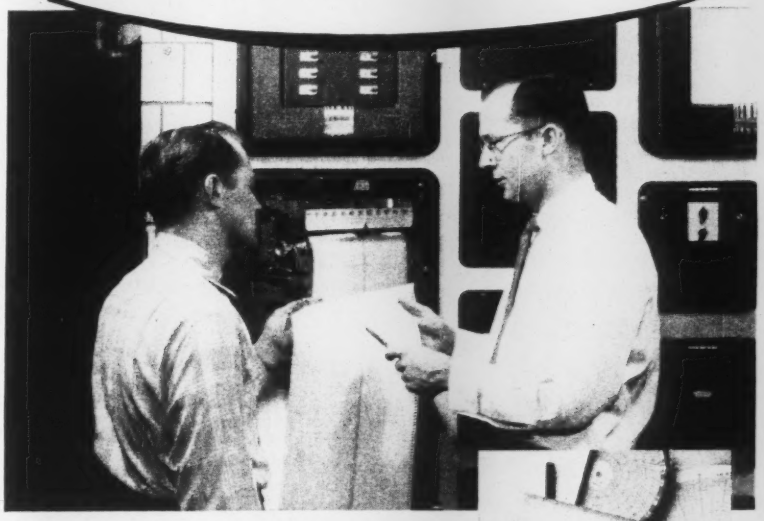

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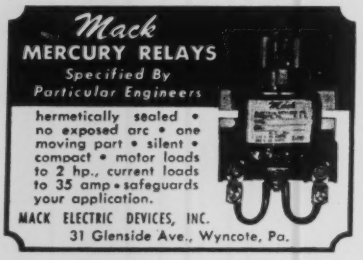
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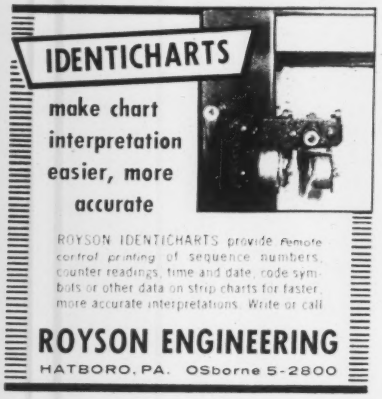
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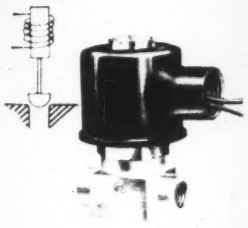

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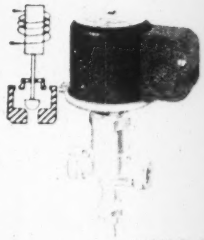

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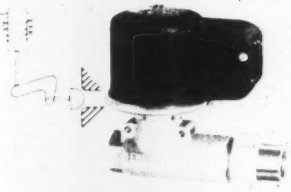

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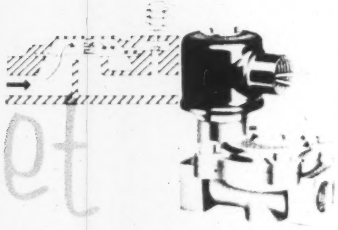

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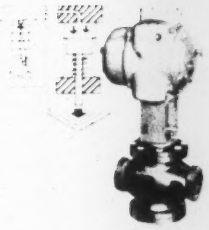

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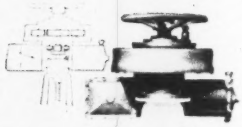

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